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Incorporation Move Meets Opposition

The first reaction on the part of New Lenox property owners on the question of incorporation appears to be taking this form. The question most often heard is "How much is this going to cost?" The trend of thought among many is to wonder how all the improvements can possibly be obtained for the small cost as intimated in the literature put out by the Incorporation Club.

One citizen who declined to be quoted seemed to express the growing sentiment of rebellion against the movement when he stated that he had worked hard all his life to make a living and he hadn't found anything as yet that you could get for nothing. He also stated with considerable conviction that the Incorporation Club was in his opinion misleading when they mentioned the gasoline tax money returned to the village as a saving. The fact is he said, that the money so received would go only part way in paying for the maintenance of the roads within the area, which are now kept up by the county.

He continued by stating that if any one wanted to pave the street in front of his house for \$20 as mentioned in the literature they could start anytime. He insisted that they couldn't even put a sidewalk in for that price.

It is also questioned by some whether it is desirable to attempt to do away with the quiet semi-rural atmosphere of the community. They contended that their principal reason for locating in New Lenox is the absence of the rush and bustle of a highly organized city. They feel that New Lenox typifies the widely recognized national trend toward "Rurbanization" which means simply "work in town, live in the country."

It is recognized that, as a community grows, certain public problems arise. These may be water, sanitation, streets, churches, schools, police and fire protection and many others. Some of these improvements New Lenox already has. The need for the others can best be decided by asking "What particular hardship has anyone suffered for the lack of them?"

A wiser course advocated by the property owners' group is to determine specifically and on competent authority whether or not a problem exists in connection with any of the advocated "improvements." If one is found to exist incorporation should be resorted to only when it is has been demonstrated to be necessary as a step in the solution of the problem.

PVT. RALPH TILSY PROMOTED TO PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

(At an Air Service Command Depot in Italy: Private Ralph H. Tilsy, Orland Park, was recently promoted to Private First Class while on duty with a Repair Squadron of the Air Service Command in Italy. Pfc. Tilsy is an electrician with his unit, which helps maintain the planes of the Mediterranean Allied Air Forces on the southern flank of the enemy.

Pfc. Tilsy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tilsy, a former employee of the Ceco Steel Company, Cicero, entered the army in March, 1942. He received his basic training at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., and his technical training at Chanute Field, Ill. He left for his overseas station in January 1943.

Tilsy attended Orland Park and Englewood High schools, and the YMCA college of Chicago. He continues his activity in church work by serving in the chapel choir.

WILL COUNTY 4H FEDERATION WORKING ON NEW PROJECT

The Will County 4H Federation is working on a new project to help raise funds for the purchase of a printing plant to be used at one of the installations of the sixth service command which is serving soldiers who have been wounded in combat.

The County Federation will sponsor a benefit dance in the Frankfort gym, January 13 and all proceeds will be given to this project. Music will be furnished by Paletti's Orchestra. The public is invited. Tickets will be sold by the Federation members. The committee in charge is Wilma Mark, Clarabelle Sippel, Elvis Gast, Calvin Meyer and Harold Heisner, President of the Federation.

SPARKS FROM CHIMNEY FIRE FARM HOME

Sparks from a chimney covered with a wire basket were believed to have started a fire at the Walter Bettenhausen home in Tinley Park Tuesday. Mr. Bettenhausen, who was working in the field, discovered the blaze and the Tinley Park Fire Department was called. They extinguished the fire before much damage was done. A large hole was burned in the roof.



To you our Service men all over the world and here at home

—to those who are prisoners of war, we send you "HOPE"; those who are in battle, we send you "PRAYER"; to those whose battles are over and are lying beneath the sands on foreign shores—or where ever that last resting place may be, "IMMORTALITY" is our earnest wish; to those flying in the air, "HAPPY LANDING"; those at sea, "GOOD VOYAGE"; those on life boats, "FAITH".

And To The Home Folks—Courage and Faith to keep the Christmas Spirit burning in the Home Fires at all times.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

EDITOR AND MRS. SEMMLER AND ALL OUR FORCE

Frankfort Lions Entertain At Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of the Frankfort Lions Club was held in the Methodist church in that village Tuesday evening. The wives, sons and daughters of the members and sweethearts were guests.

A delicious chicken dinner was served at 7 o'clock in the church dining room where the tables were very festive with paper poinsettias, red candles and at the speaker's table, the addition of a jolly Santa Claus in the traditional red costume. This was the handwork of Mrs. R. Hirsch, chairman and Mrs. W. V. Hedges who assisted her.

After the close of the dinner, Lion Rev. Bizer lead the group in singing of Christmas carols accompanied at the piano by Warren Breidert. Lion Wm. Semmler, president, made a few brief remarks, at which time he welcomed two returned Servicemen, Pvt. Paul Lambrecht and Pvt. Wm. Breidert who each spoke briefly. They were given a rousing welcome home for their furlough. Lion Semmler then made the announcement which a snow bird had brought to him, of the engagement of Wm. Breidert and Miss Vernetta Hossbach. They were also given a hearty applause.

Lion Herbert Lambrecht was introduced, who had charge of the Christmas party program who conducted the distributing of the gifts assisted by Lion Henry Breidert and Lion Arthur Bauch. Much merriment was had over the humorous gifts among which Lion Semmler was given a complete supply of drugs for the cure of dull claws to "what ails you."

Games were next in order, under the direction of Mrs. W. V. Hedges. Mrs. Henry Breidert and several games were played in which every one present took an active and pleasant part. This closed a most enjoyable evening.

EMMA JANE TAYLOR DIES AT HOME OF SON

Mrs. Emma Jane Taylor passed away Sunday morning at 4:30 o'clock in the home of her son Gordon Taylor in New Lenox, where she made her home. She had been ill all week, following a heart attack last Sunday. Surviving are three sons Aubrey, Gordon and Vance and 5 grandchildren. Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Tuesday from the Chamberlin and Sloan Funeral parlors in Joliet. Burial was in Maplewood cemetery, New Lenox.

XMAS PROGRAMS IN CHURCH COLUMN

A complete list of the Christmas programs in the surrounding churches are given in the regular church column in this issue.

NEW LENOX SERVICE GROUP SPONSORS DANCE DEC. 23

The New Lenox United Service Committee will hold a dance in the New Lenox school gym Saturday night, Dec. 23rd. Come and get your turkey, duck, goose or chicken.

Married Amid Pretty Christmas Festive Setting

Two lighted Christmas trees, one on each side of the altar of the Bethlehem Lutheran church of Joliet, formed a lovely setting for the simple but impressive wedding Saturday afternoon, December 16 at three o'clock of Miss Amelia Thoren and Frederick Louis Whitlark, A.S. (V-12) USNR.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Thoren of Joliet and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Whitlark of Mokena.

The Rev. G. F. Andre read the double ring wedding service for the couple. Mr. E. T. Johnson presided at the organ during the entire ceremony and soft music played on the chimes added to the loveliness of the occasion.

Miss Mae Kramer attended Miss Thoren as maid of honor and acting as best man was Capt. F. L. Lochbihler who is home on a furlough from Bougainville and who is a cousin of the groom.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents to immediate families and close friends and relatives.

The couple will reside in Chicago where the groom is attending the University of Illinois College of Medicine.

Mokena Items

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Whitlark, daughter Marianne, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Whitlark and Mrs. McMahon attended a Christmas dinner and party Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Lochbihler of Berwyn in honor of their son Capt. F. L. Lochbihler who will soon return to Bougainville.

WOMEN'S SERVICE NEWS

John Martini has been made Chief Petty Officer. He is stationed in the South Pacific. Congratulations Johnny!

Two of our boys who are stationed in the Philippines have discovered this is a small world after all. It seems that Cpl. Chas. Burkhardt was separated from his unit and approached the first MP he saw for directions. After a few minutes conversation the MP turned out to be none other than Pfc. Mike Roberts. The boys spent several days together and we'll wager Mokena was the subject of a good part of the conversation.

Ervin Hentsch and Elwin Schoeneck left on Saturday for active duty with the Armed forces. Ervin's two brothers are both overseas, Cpl. Geo. in France and Pfc. Walter in the South Pacific. Elwin's brother Cpl. Earl is also in the South Pacific.

From each and every one of us to each and everyone of you wherever you are May we send Holiday Greetings, and a Sincere wish that you all will be home long before this time next year.

Letters from our boys. This one is from Pfc. Gordon Benson in the South Pacific:

Dear Ladies:

I received your gift yesterday. I cannot say how much I appreciate your thinking of me.

When a soldier is overseas a remembrance such as yours means a

Former New Lenox Man Killed In Action

Word has been received in New Lenox of the death of Pvt. Joseph J. Mattes, 34 years old, son of Mrs. Anna Mattes of Chicago, who was killed in action on November 15 in France. Pvt. Mattes had been in the service for a year and a half, and overseas since last August.

His last letter received December 5 by his wife Bernice, told her not to worry about him, and that they were moving up to the front.

In the cable that she received from the War Department, telling her of his death, stated that he had been injured in a vehicle accident and died 15 minutes later.

Pvt. Mattes who was born in New Lenox, was in the Anti Aircraft Artillery division. Besides his mother Mrs. Mattes and his wife the former Bernice Taylor, he is survived by 8 sisters, Mrs. Viola Corp and Mrs. Gertrude Woodcock of New Lenox, Mrs. Clara O'Flarity, Miss Loretta Mattes, Mrs. Marcella Craig, Mrs. Anna Peterson and Mrs. Catherine Otto of Chicago; and Mrs. Peggy Greco of Brookfield, Ill., and two brothers Mathias M., and Joseph J., of Chicago, and other relatives. Memorial services were held Tuesday at St. Thomas Catholic church in Chicago.

TO HOLD CHRISTMAS PARTY TONIGHT

The annual Christmas program and party will be held by the Sunday School of the New Lenox Methodist church Friday night. A cantata "The Glorious Christmas" will be presented by the fellowship and intermediate classes. Miss Lenna Alexander's junior class will give a playlet entitled "Magic Whistle". Recitations will be given by the beginners class under the direction of Mrs. Clyde Townsend. Barbara Sayers and Karen Brockman will sing a duet. All musical numbers will be accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Edw. Seivert. There will be a Christmas tree and a visit from Santa Claus at the end of the program.

lot. Christmas is hardly the same over here but just knowing that the folks back home are remembering makes our Christmas much more real. So all I can say is Thanks a lot.

Sincerely yours,

Gordon Earl Schoeneck in New Guinea.

Dear Ladies:

A few lines to let you know I received the Xmas box and sure want to thank you all for the things you sent me. It sure came in good shape and didn't take very long to get here. The Xmas boxes are sure coming in right now and I think that by the end of this month most of them will be here.

I have been feeling fine. They are keeping us pretty busy, but as long as the time flies as fast as these past 6 months did, I won't mind and maybe I'll get home by the middle of '45 or the first of '46.

Close for now and thanks again for the Xmas box.

Truly,

Earl

French Nun Writes Heart Touching Letter

The following letter was written on Nov. 17 by a nun in France and sent to Mrs. Ovid Maples wife of Capt. Maples of Frankfort: "Dear Mrs. Maples:

It is a great pleasure for me to write to you and it is also a duty of gratitude, but you must wonder whom I am. I am a Catholic nun and an English teacher. I met the Captain Maples one day as I was very heavy hearted, and since that day he has always helped me and been very good to us. I write because I am sure you will be very glad to hear of him, you see he cannot tell you all the good things he does because he is very humble and he always listens to my thanks with laughing.

I saw your picture with your little boy, he is just like his father and looks very cheerful. Captain Maples would like to come back to America and see you both. It will come soon. Americans have been very quick in France; now it is more difficult, but in a few months it will be over.

I live in Normandy, St. Lo, you must have heard of this town. Now there is nothing left because of American planes. It had to be done, we know that very well, and we are happy to be free, to be delivered from the Germans. We had four years here. We have suffered much but we are courageous. Our towns will be built again. It is so good to have no planes to drop bombs, we can sleep quietly. We have been three months during which it was impossible to sleep. Our boarding school is destroyed but we escaped all, sisters and girls. The Americans gave us a beautiful castle not far from the sea. I could not have any French truck for the furniture, and it is Capt. Maples who lent me his trucks and his boys too. Last Sunday he took me in his car and gave me a ride to the castle. We were very happy to have him but it was a very short visit. He has chosen a room and you are invited to come with him after the war.

You must be very proud of him because not only me, but all the people who know him, love him. Perhaps my bad English does not express well what I mean. I should tell much better if I write in French. We are in war and he does his duty completely and seriously. But all the kind and good things he can do here and there, he never forgets them. I am sure he will be cross with me when reading my letter. It is yet completely true. I try to make him a present but I do not know what he should like to have. Perhaps you will tell me. I know all he does is done from his heart, and he wants no reward, no praise. But it is very bad for me. I pray for him and for you. We have not the same religion but we believe in the same God. He will keep your husband. You must be very calm, there is no danger for him where he is. I should be very glad to get acquainted with you but you are too far away. I hope I will go to America one day. It will do me good for my English.

I must tire you with my letter. I write what comes to my mind and I have no dictionary. That excuses me for everything. If you have time I should be glad to have a word from you. I hope Capt. Maples will send my letter because if I write through the French post office, I am allowed to do it on a post card only and I am so talkative. I will go tomorrow morning to give my letter to Capt. Maples. I have found too, a little bit of French bread because I know he likes it. It is nothing in comparison of what he does for us.

Dear Mrs. Maples, I stop writing I hope you understand what I want to tell you. There are certainly some funny expressions. It is difficult to write in another language. I forgot to tell you Capt. Maples already thinks of Christmas for our poor girls here. He keeps his candies etc. for them. Yours very respectfully and prayerfully,

Sister Coubrun."

WILL BE CLOSED ON XMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

Otto Bormet and Wilbur Walsh of New Lenox will close their filling stations December 24th and 25th and December 31st and Jan. 1st.

FORGOTTEN SOMETHING?

If you have not answered that Christmas Seal letter, do so today. Enlist in the year-round fight against tuberculosis, which kills one person every nine minutes.



Buy and Use Christmas Seals

Mokena Civic Carolers to Tour Village

The Mokena Civic Association held their regular meeting last Tuesday night at Hatch Hall.

A very satisfactory meeting was held. Mr. Teske chairman of the committee to arrange the Carol singing for Saturday night, Dec. 23, reported that everything was in readiness, and that he had obtained three quartets to tour the village singing Christmas carols. He also auditioned several singers for additional talent but they did not qualify.

The Carolers will meet for practice at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Schlacks this evening at eight o'clock sharp.

The association sincerely appreciates much and thanks the following ladies and gentlemen who have agreed to act as Carolers: Mr. and Mrs. Dath, Mr. and Mrs. Kreml, Mr. and Mrs. Kraus, Mrs. Harry Mall, Mr. and Mrs. Olson, Mr. Leon Tonn and Mr. and Mrs. Teske.

The Carolers will tour the village from eight o'clock Saturday evening, December twenty third until they have sung Christmas carols in each and every block in Mokena, weather permitting. Then they will gather at Front and Division streets where they will lead in a community sing.

It is suggested that all homes and business establishments be brilliantly lighted for this occasion.

CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Utte of Orland Park were guests of honor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Rauch December 10 when thirty five members of the immediate family gathered to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Utte and family; Mr. Leonard Utte and son, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Rauch and family; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bogthe and family; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Duehr and family; Misses Bertha, Hattie and Hilda Utte, Mr. and Mrs. Philip B. Utte and family.

Unable to be present were Pfc. Arthur Utte who is serving somewhere in France and Cpl. and Mrs. Elmer Utte and daughter. Cpl. Utte is stationed in Texas and his family are making their home there.

The youngest guest present was their four week old great grandchild Jack, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip B. Utte of Blue Island.

A five o'clock dinner was served. The table was beautifully decorated in yellow and gold. The honored couple received many lovely gifts and cards, and wish to thank all who remembered them on this occasion.

PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES HONORED AT LUNCHEON

Employees of Public Service Company of Northern Illinois were honored Dec. 12 at a luncheon at the Palmer House in Chicago at which Britton I. Budd, president of the company, made awards to four employees for efficiency suggestions made this year.

First prize went to line foreman Edw. M. Fee of Northbrook whose total award came to \$600. His idea was a high tension line device.

Second winner was Miss Grace M. Baird, Crystal Lake, of the company's accounting department, who received a total of \$300. Third and Fourth prizes went to Dominic Cecconi of Skokie and Paul H. Engel of Joliet, respectively, who received \$150 and \$140.

The company's emple suggestion system, founded in 1911 and one of the oldest in the country, set new high records this year with 2,123 suggestions submitted of which 800 received cash awards totaling \$9,175.

At the same time the Britton I. for the Saving of Human Life was presented to Harry P. Jaeger of LaGrange Park, a cable splicer. It was the 86th such medal award since it was inaugurated in 1926.

Chas. Y. Freeman, chairman of the company, participated in the ceremonies which were attended by 250 employees representing all departments and divisions.

ST. JOHN'S OF MOKENA TO HOLD CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT SERVICE

Christmas at St. John's church in Mokena will start on Sunday with a Christmas sermon and praise service at 10:30. Sunday school will be held at 9:30 with special lessons on the story of the nativity.

The Sunday School will present a variety program at 7 o'clock Christmas Eve. A candle lighting service will be conducted by a group of intermediate girls.

The climax of the Christmas worship will come at 11:30 on Christmas Eve when a candle light praise service will be held over the midnight hour. Candles will be lighted for the war's dead and for those in service who are away from home this Christmas. This will be done by near relatives, assisted by the members of the girl's choir. The church choir will be robed and will sing six special Christmas anthems. A general invitation is extended to all the people of the community to come to this inspiring service. The offering will be for the relief of suffering in war stricken countries.



Washington, D. C.

BOMBING NIPS WITH B-29s

The plan of continuously bombing Japan from Saipan promises to be one of the most important strategies of the war. But like all difficult innovations, it already has evolved some serious kinks which must be ironed out.

They include: crew fatigue, maintenance problems, weather conditions and home front production of planes to replace those lost in action. Upon these factors depend the frequency with which we can keep up the rain of bombs on Japan.

The bombing of Japan from Saipan represents a gruelling experience for the crews involved, and allowances must be made to provide necessary rest periods. If any of the crews participating in the Thanksgiving Day raid tried it again three days later, it would be only natural to expect that their operational ability would be proved reduced because of the wearing effect of the earlier 3,000-mile flight.

It has also been found that information on weather over Japan is still not entirely accurate.

But reconnaissance photos taken after the first two raids did show severe damage to a major aircraft plant outside of Tokyo, also effective shattering of several water front areas which are jam-packed with Tokyo traffic.

Other Obstacles to Raids.

Officials have also learned that the B-29 still has certain defects which may require modification in future production. These primarily concern the safety of air crews and should be remedied before bombing of Japan can be carried out on a day-to-day basis.

Air corps officials still reiterate that the air phase of the war against Japan is nearing its climax, but admit that several more months will pass before the air drive can be really stepped up to its peak.

One major hope is that General MacArthur's forces will be able to secure several bases in the Philippines so that the B-29s can operate from there, thus smashing at the south of Japan almost at will. Because of the B-29's vast size, it is almost impossible to conceal them under camouflage, with the result that Japanese planes still operating from scores of fields in the Philippines could bomb B-29s at will if they were based on Leyte now.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN

Now that Stalin has put the Japanese on notice for war, calling them an aggressor nation, another chapter regarding Jimmy Doolittle's raid on Tokyo can be told.

After dropping its bomb load on Tokyo, one of the planes developed a leak in its gas line. Aware that he could not make friendly Chinese territory, the pilot set his course for Soviet Siberia, figuring he might barely be able to reach dry land. Internment, he figured, was better than execution. When the fuel gave out, he had no idea where he was, but landed on the best flat stretch he could find.

As the crew of the plane piled out, a column of tanks appeared over a nearby hill. The airmen climbed back into their plane and prepared to make a fight for it, but finally saw the Soviet red star on the leading tank and got out of the plane again.

The pilot walked forward to talk with the Soviet major who jumped out of the leading tank. Using English, gestures, and one or two words of Russian, the pilot tried to explain how he happened to be there.

Finally, the Russian officer stopped him. In fairly good English, he said: "Yes, we know all about the bombing of Tokyo. And we knew one plane was in trouble and might be heading this way. We came out to see if we could find you."

The bomber crew started to climb into the tanks when suddenly another column of tanks appeared from the opposite direction. A Jap officer came running toward the Russians, shouting, "This is Japanese territory. We demand the surrender of the Americans."

The Russian major immediately dug out his maps, insisting he was on Soviet soil. The argument raged in German for several minutes, until finally the Jap angrily stalked off, ordering his tanks to fire. This was answered by a volley from the Russian tanks, both aiming at the sky. The Russian tanks then drove on, leaving the airplane behind.

They had been going at a fast clip for about half an hour, when the Russian major turned to the American pilot and said:

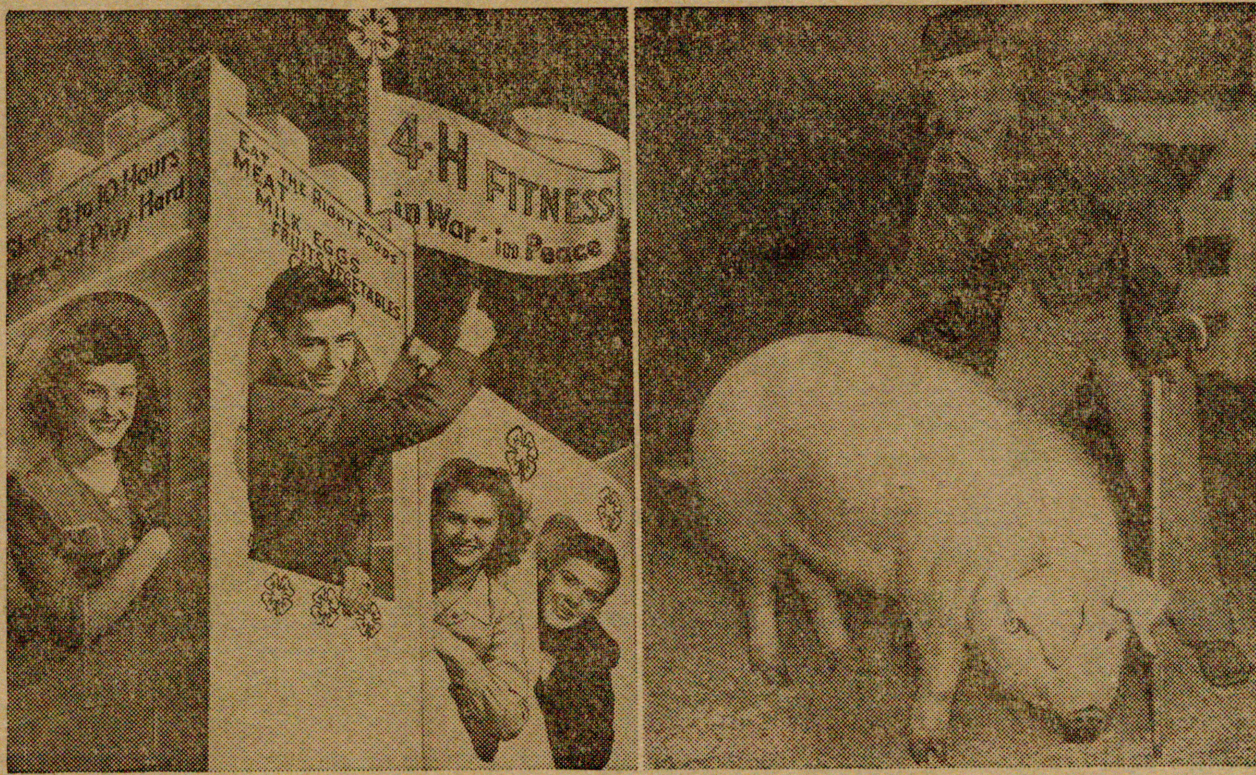
"I now welcome you to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics."

The border had just been crossed.

CAPITAL CHAFF

¶ Mrs. Melvyn Douglas will soon be in congress, elected from California.
¶ The railway brotherhoods, whose 400,000 members are affiliated with neither the AFL nor the CIO, are burned up over the appointment of Thomas Cashen of the AFL switchmen's union to the War Mobilization and Reconversion board's labor panel. Although Cashen's AFL union is in the transportation field, the brotherhoods feel that one of their own members should have been appointed to the labor panel.

Health Champions and 4-H Club Hog Winner



At left, four national health champions, selected at the 23rd 4-H Club congress, held at Chicago. L. to R.: Lucille Latza, 16, of Betcher, S. D.; Robert Tolbert, 18, Paul's Valley, Okla.; Elizabeth Laughner, 18, Leetonia, Ohio; and Lyle Ramey, 15, Redwood Falls, Minn. At right, Raymond Taylor of Kentland, Ind., and "Prince," Chester White Barrow, ruled supreme champion.

They Toil Daily Below Ground for Free China



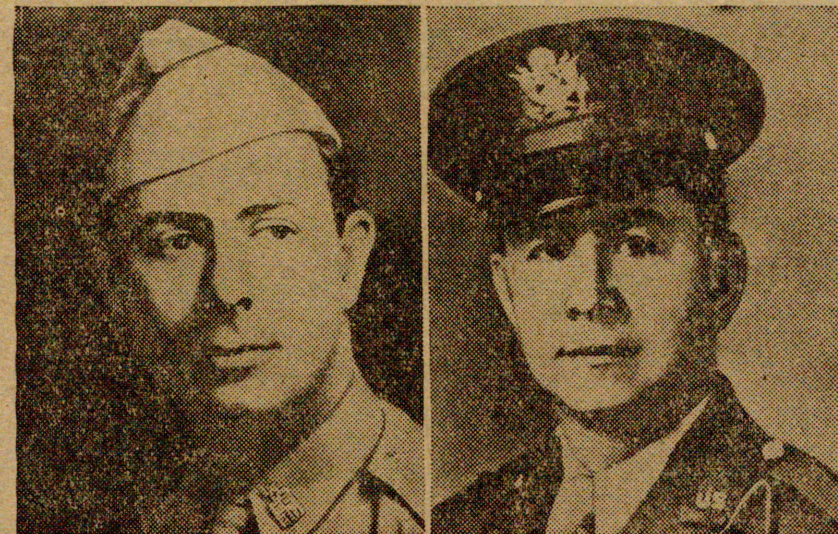
Chinese, forced below the surface of the earth by the incessant bombing raids of Japanese airmen, are working tirelessly to produce the munitions of war so sorely needed by their armies in the field. This enormous underground arsenal has been hewn out of the solid rock foundation of a mountain in southwestern China. Here are electrically lighted rock caverns, connected by arched tunnels lined with cement.

Nazis Repaid by U. S. Artillery



Heavy artillery, part of the U. S. First army commanded by Lieut. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, contributes its share in repaying Germany for the wrecked cities of Europe. Photo shows the effect of complete saturation of American artillery of the town of Durviss, Germany, one of the border cities laid to ruins.

Gave Lives That Gobs Might Live



The army's Distinguished Service cross has been conferred posthumously on four Men of God, who gave their courage and their own life jackets to others aboard the sinking troop transport Dorchester. The chaplains went down with the ship. Two of them, shown, are L. to R., First Lieut. Alexander D. Goode and First Lieut. George L. Fox.

Army Got Navy Goat



Midshipman Bruce Winner is shown holding His Royal Goatship Bill IX, before the West Pointers won the traditional game by a 23 to 7 score.

Nurses French Boy



Pvt. Walton Trohon, Caplan, La., member of the Third army, plays nurse and washes face of orphaned French boy, somewhere near the German border, in France.

IMPROVED
UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL
SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for December 24

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THE GROUND OF UNIVERSAL JOY

LESSON TEXT—Luke 2:8-12; Hebrews 1:1-4; 1 John 1:1-4.
GOLDEN TEXT—Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all the people.—Luke 2:10.

What would you like for Christmas? Could anything be better than to find for your heart and mind that spiritual safety, certainty, and joy which transforms life? Well, that is exactly what Jesus came to bring mankind. It was the first Christmas gift, and it is the best gift this year too.

I. Safety (Luke 2:8-12).
Men need deliverance from their sin. They needed it when Christ came. They need it today. They must have a safe refuge, one in which they may rest secure.

All the efforts of this world to meet man's need are vain. As Joseph Parker put it: "The world did not want an adviser. The world had advised itself almost into hell. The world did not ask for a speculator. Everything that man could do had been done, and men sat in the darkness of their own wisdom. The world did not want a reformer, a man who could change his outward and transient relations, an engineer that would continually devote his time to the readjustment of the wheels and the pulleys and the various mechanical forces of society. The world wanted a saviour."

Jesus came as Saviour. The good tidings revealed to the faithful shepherds were to be "of great joy to all people" because they presented the One who could bring them redemption from sin.

That revelation is ready to be made again this Christmas, and as it came to the shepherds at their work in the field, so it may come to you on the battlefield, in camp, in the air, under the sea, in the kitchen, the factory—yes, anywhere. We rightly go to our churches to worship on Christmas Day, but let us remember that Christ is everywhere, seeking each one—yes, knocking at your door. Will you let Him in? Then you will have Christmas indeed!

II. Certainty (Heb. 1:1-4).
God has spoken through the centuries in the messages of many faithful servants. We do well to give heed to God's Word through them. But after all they were only servants. This message of redemption is so vital and fundamental that God sent His Son, Himself the Redeemer, to declare it.

How final, and definite, and blessed is that truth. The heir of all the eternal glories of God the Father, and Himself the effulgence (or the flashing forth) of the glory of God, has spoken God's last word—His certain word—about redemption from sin.

We all know how full of uncertainty the world is, how our own minds are distressed by the very uncertainty of countless things about us. What a precious gift from God to realize anew the absolute certainty we have in Christ. He came to save, to satisfy, and to keep us.

Note that He has all the needed authority and power to carry out His loving purpose (vv. 3, 4). He who "made purification of sins" for us to believe, is divine. He has all power. He is glorious beyond our ability to describe. He is God. We can rest in perfect assurance in His redemption.

III. Enjoyment (1 John 1:1-4).

God knew the need of man for real joy if life was to be pleasant and profitable. Being a Christian was never intended to be a somber, doleful business. No, indeed. "These things we write," says John, "that our joy may be made full."

What did he write? By inspiration of the Holy Spirit he wrote of Christ, "the Word of life." He had seen and known Him, the Redeemer. He had fine and uplifting fellowship with Him, and declares that we too (as believers) share in that fellowship.

One of the bright and glad things about the Christmas season is our fellowship with our family and friends. It brightens the whole holiday season. How much more delightful is the fact that we have "fellowship with the Father and with His Son, Jesus Christ."

That fact really "makes" Christmas! Many will be separated from family and friends this year, but Christ is there, and they may have this most-precious of all friends with them. The empty place around the family table will be filled (if we wish) by the Lord Himself. Let's keep Christmas with Him as the unseen but nonetheless real Guest. In fact, let us do even more than that, let us count Him into the intimate fellowship of our family circle (and two can make such a circle). That is what He wants to be—to you and to me—this Christmas Day, 1944.

May his joy be yours in full measure. That is the wish of the writer of these lines, and it goes from his heart to the very last reader who may be in the uttermost part of the earth. A blessed Christmas to you!

Household Hints

Use discarded tea leaves to clean the inside of a flower vase. Moisten the leaves with vinegar and let stand in vase overnight. Next morning apply warm soap suds to finish the job.

Wax ash trays with floor wax to prevent ashes from sticking to tray.

Add a handful of salt to the last rinse in cold weather, and the clothes will not freeze as they are hung out.

Sitting on the edge of a mattress weakens the edge and causes it to sag.

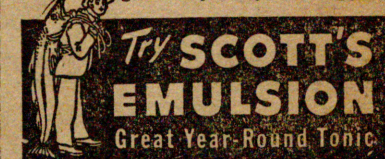
When grown indoors in window box or in flowerpots, herbs do best in a south window where they get plenty of sunlight.

Weights on the barn and shed doors should be adjusted so that the doors will close by themselves, thus avoiding the necessity of stopping to set down a couple of pails or a sack of feed to close the door.

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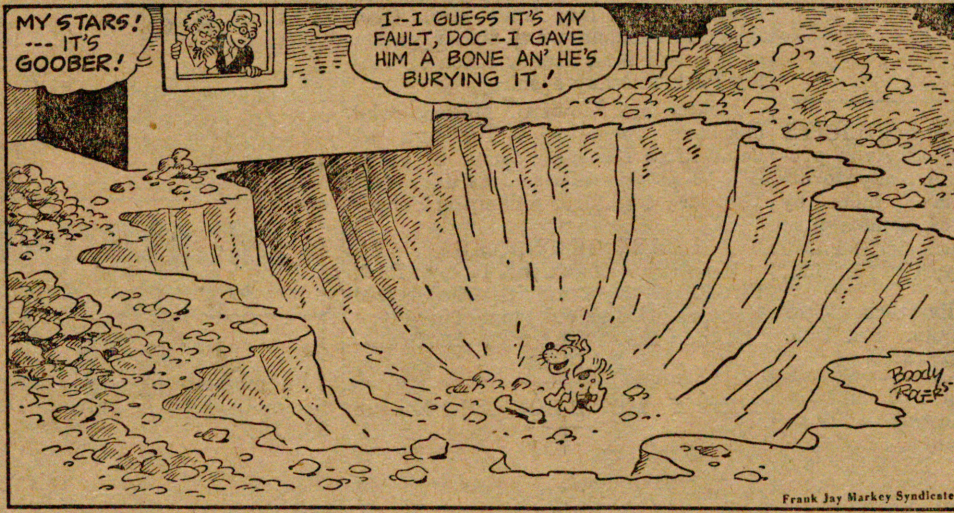
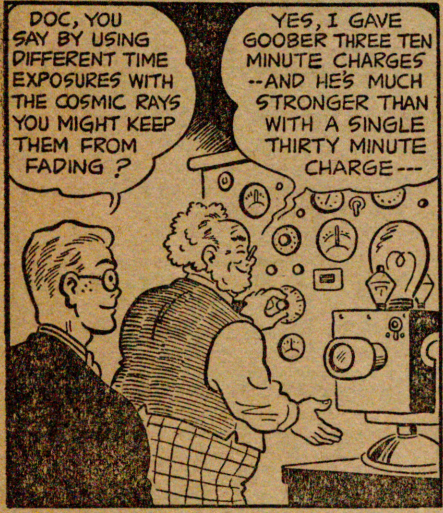


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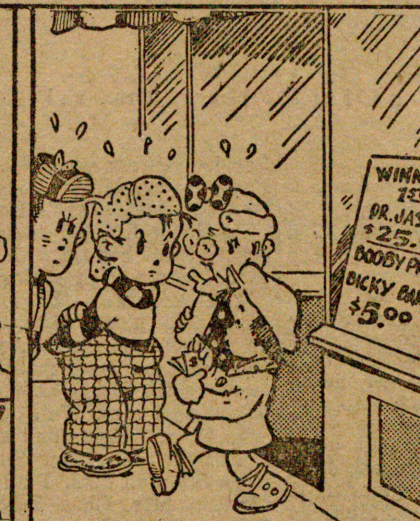
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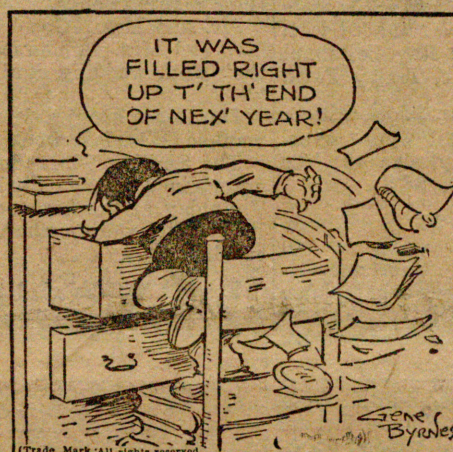
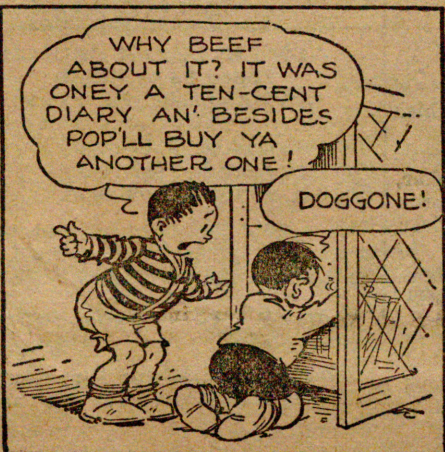
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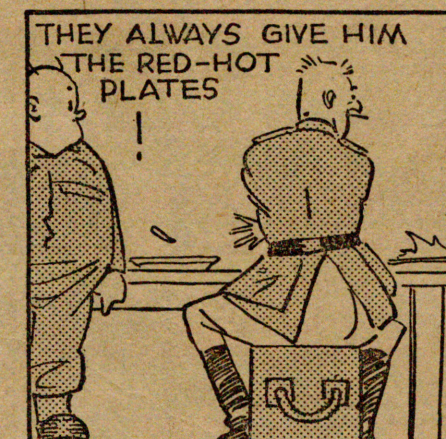
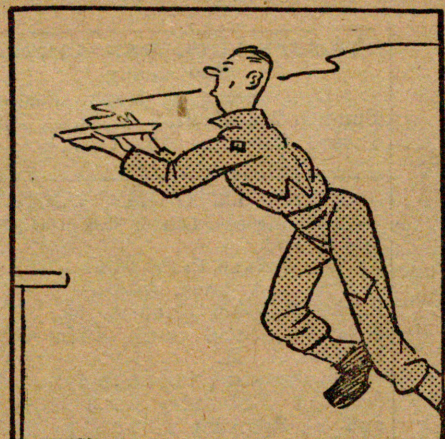
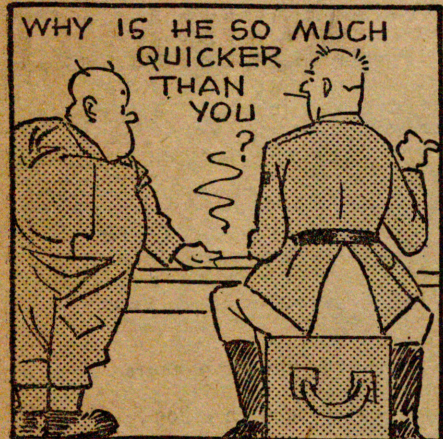
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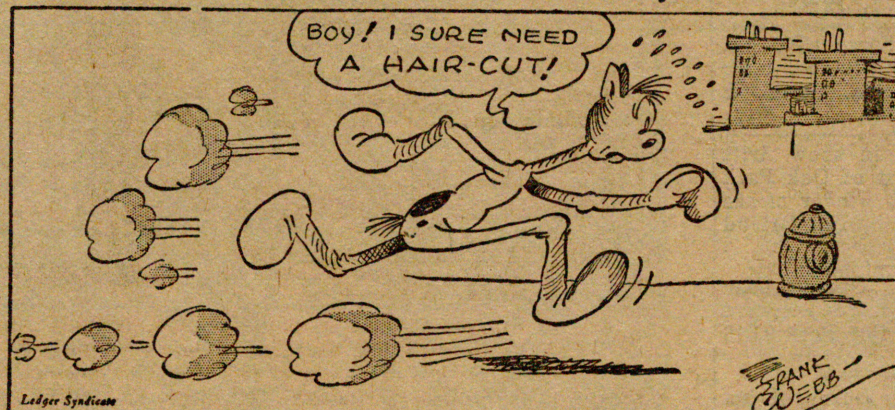
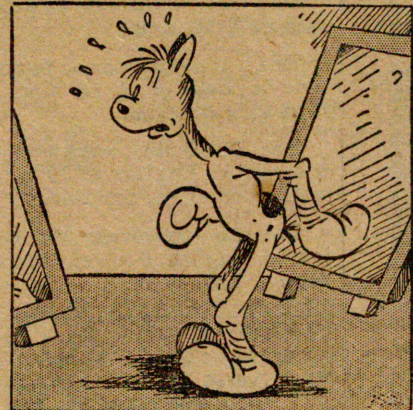
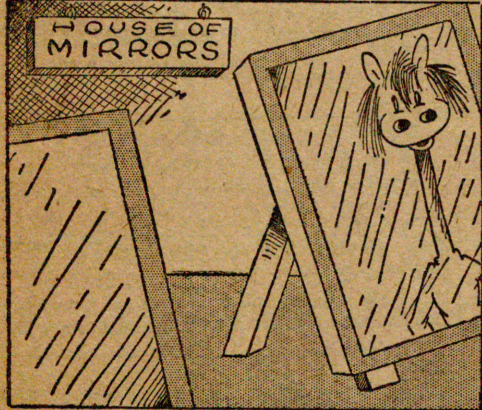
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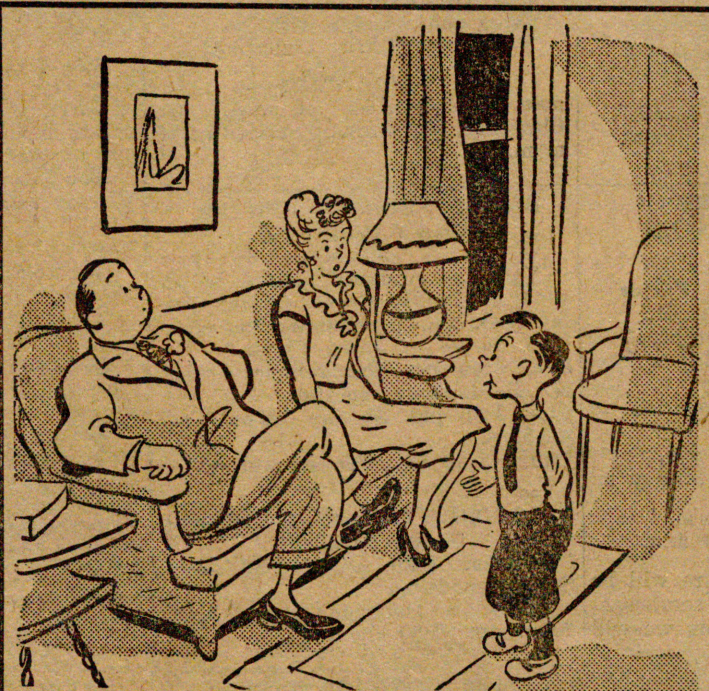
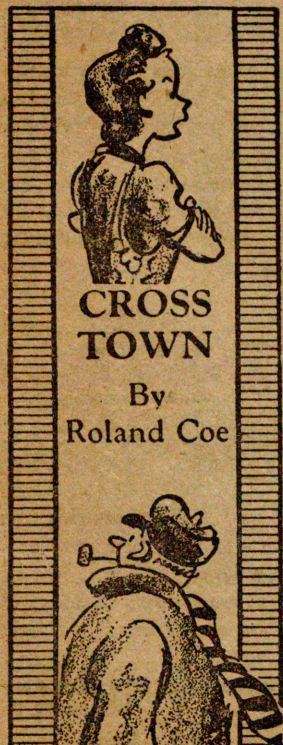


By FRANK WEBB



CROSS TOWN

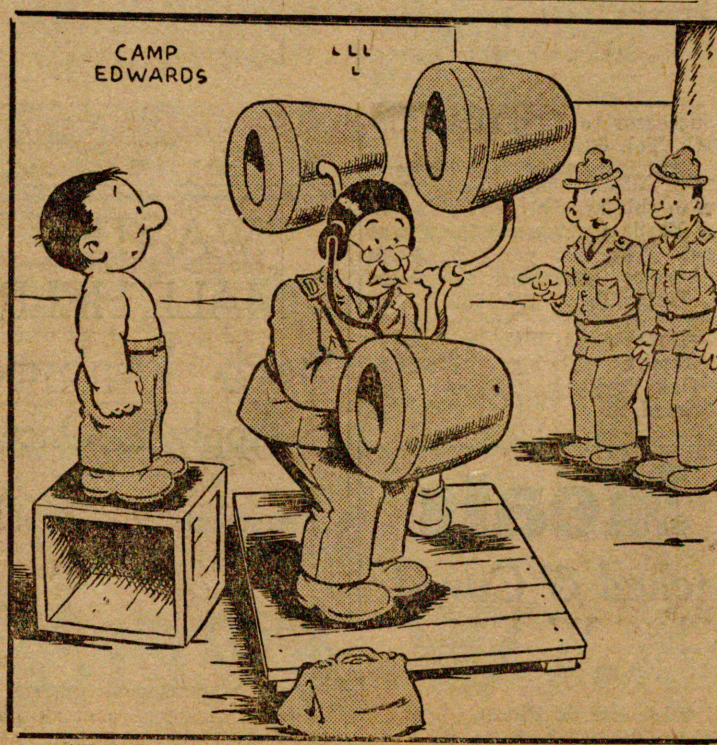
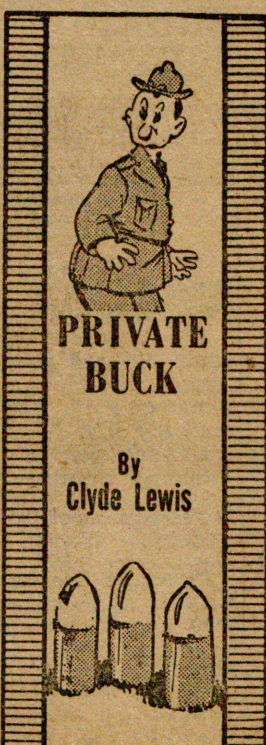
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FOR SALE—White spring ducks, 6 to 7 lbs. Peter Schmidt, Wolf Road, Mokena p12:22

FOR RENT—Modern 5 room home inquire A. E. Bueschel, Wolf Rd. Tel. Mokena 2781. p12:29

FOR SALE—2 good State tested cows. Harvey Johnson, Francis Rd. and Gordon St., New Lenox Tel. 2253. p12:29

FOR SALE by E. J. Cooper, Mokena Tel. 2451 and 2271. In New Lenox, Ill. 1 acre of ground with a 4 room modern house, garage, and chicken house. Price \$4000, 1-1/2 mi. Rock Island station. In Mokena, 5 room modern home, 1-2 block R. I. Station. Price \$4200. Also modern 2 flat bldg. 1-2 block R. I. Station. Price \$7450. 20 acres with modern home, located 1 block R. I. Station. Price \$11,000. c12:29

FOR SALE—Indian motorcycle 32. Henry Sluiter, Lincoln Estates. Tel. Frankfort 3235. p15

FOR SALE—Bull calf 8 mos. old, wgt. 300 to 400 lbs; also some rabbits. John Cole, 175th & 104th Ave., Tel. Tinley Park 189R1. ctf

FOR SALE—Farm machinery; Int. Harvester, corn picker, single row, No. 3. Tel. Blue Island 1979Y3. c12:22

FOR SALE—Year old hens, 25c a lb. Aug. Hauck, Mokena. p12:22

FOR SALE—Large electric train, complete \$35; also boy's size pool table, \$7.00. Tel. Tinley Park 588 evenings. c12:22

FOR SALE—New double window with sash and trim complete; new outside door with 3 glass panels; about 250 feet siding; outside pump with pipe. Tel. Orland 57W after 6 p. m. p12:22

DONT RISK!—Driving without insurance. New low rates. State Farm Insurance Co. Frank B. Liszt, 14900 S. Central Ave., Tel. Blue Island 688Y2 and Prospect 2055, Agent. p12:29

HIGHEST PRICES PAID for scrap iron and old cars. Will pick up anywhere. F. Camerlo, New Lenox Tel. 3321. p12:29

WARM MORNING STOVES now available without priority. Tel. New Lenox Coal & Feed Co. Tel. 3431. tf

FOR SALE—Used windows, frames & doors. Arthur Mark, Frankfort, Ill. Tel. 3414. p12:22

FOR SALE—Deluxe Heatrola heating stove. Frank Mark, Frankfort, Ill. p12:22

FOR SALE—Geese. Louis Holm, Mokena. Tel. 2427. p12:22

FOR SALE—Fresh hollstein cow; 3 heavy springers; 2 fat heifers. Carl Reiter, 135th & Larmie, Blue Island. Tel. 1985Y2. c12:22

FOR SALE—Ladies shoes, 8 1-2 AAA, Lifesavers, in excellent condition. Tel. Mokena 2792. tf

FOR SALE—20 ton Dayton scale \$500. Call New Lenox 3321. tf

FOR SALE—2 or 3 bottom P&O chain lift plow, good condition. Tel. New Lenox 3321. ctf

WANTED—Heating oil customers. Quality and prompt service. Call Orland Park 189R1. tfe

WANTED—Housekeeper, two in family, no washing or ironing. Box 13, New Lenox, Ill. p12:22

WOMAN To Assist with housework; family of 3; good wages. Tel. Orland Park 53J1, Henry Critts, Tinley Pk. R. 2. ctf

PLASTERING—Phone Tinley Park 438. James Robinson, Tinley Park.

NOTICE—Fuel oil users. I can get some 250 gal. new oil storage tanks. If you are interested call or write John Cole, Sinclair Agent, Tinley Park. Phone Orland 189R1. tfe

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FOR GENERAL Hauling and Wilmington coal see Albert Zeigler New Lenox 2394. c12:22

MRS. ROY HANNUM SOLICITS Your Christmas trade of Avon products. Nov. 25 is the last day to order merchandise to have them by Xmas, but will have on hand a nice supply of certain articles. 17250 Oak Park Av., Tinley, or Tel. 432.

WANTED TO BUY livestock. Carl Reiter, 135 and Larmie. Tel. Blue Island 1985Y2. p12:29

CASH paid for Scrap Iron and old Cars. Will pick up anywhere. Call Bert Mattson, New Lenox, Ill. Phone 2851.

FOR SALE—Letz feed grinder 8 n of Lockport on U. S. 7, 1 mi. west of Wolf rd. 1tp

FOR SALE—4 cows will be fresh this month. 1 heifer 2 years old. A new Idea rubber tired wagon and a large store safe. Tel. Frankfort 2212 1tp

FOR SALE—Fresh Holstein cow, 2 heavy springers. Marvin Cappel, 1/4 mile east of Ridgeland Ave. on 183rd St. Tinley Park, Ill. 1tp

FOR SALE—Live geese. Raymond Miller, 17850 Sayre Ave. Phone Tinley 669. 1tp

FOR SALE—Child's pre-war hand-car. Tel. Tinley Park 797. 1tp

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FOR SALE—Baled straw 75c bale while it lasts. 5 pigs vaccinated wgt. around 120 lbs. each. Ray Callahan, 175th & Oak Park ave, Tinley Park. 12:29p

FOR SALE—Men's all wool overcoat color oxford gray, size 42; like new. Call Tinley Park 382. 1tp

PIANO TUNING—\$6 in Tinley Park; tuning and repairing for 40 years. Member The American Society of Piano Tuner Technicians. Drop postal card to C. D. Walton, 15328 Turlington Ave., Harvey, Ill. 119p

WANTED—1 Chester White boar from 125 to 200 lbs. Phone Orland 216R. Stanley Cooper, Orland Park. 12:29p

FOR SALE—2 cows, 3 heifers. Frank Kovar, 80th ave., Frankfort, Ill. 1tc

FOR SALE—Majestic radio and stand first class condition \$50. Box 83, Frankfort. or phone Frankfort 3103. tf

FOR SALE—Saddle horse 5 gaited. Very gentle. Lady can ride. L. G. Bruder, Mokena. Tel. 2235 1tp

FOR SALE—5 cows, 5 heavy springers. Wm. Ipema, 147th & Ridgeland, Tinley Park, Ill. 12:29p

FOR SALE—Nestor Johnson 5cc skates autographed by Sonje Henie. Size 5. Like new. George Letts, Frankfort, Ill. Tel. 3215 1c

FOR SALE—Short horn bull, 8 mos old. Chris Habenicht, 143rd St. Orland Park. Ttl. 221W1. 12:29p

FOR SALE—1 bay horse 1350 lbs. 6 years old; 2 steers 400 lbs. 1 air compressor. A. Hoekstra, 135th & 54th Ave. 1c

LOST—Scoop shovel in snow drift 167th st., 1 block east of Oak Park ave. Wednesday night. Finder please return to Walter Smith, Tel. Orland 142R1. 1tc

FOR SALE—Several Duroc boar pigs and white Pekin ducks. Herbert Bettenhausen, Tel. Tinley Park 2168 1tp

FOR SALE—2 male Duroc hogs. James Tilsey, 167th & 118th ave., Orland. Tel. 46W1 -1p

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TINLEY PARK

Miss Lee Schoeneck, a student at Grinnell College, Iowa is spending the holidays at home.

Brown Campbell, a student at the Castle Heights Military Academy, Lebanon, Tenn. arrived last Friday to spend the Christmas holiday at home. He reports back to school Jan. 3.

Miss Dorothy Campbell of Ill. Wesleyan University, Bloomington is also spending the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Salzwedel of Frankfort and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Abbe of Mokena were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kuch of Tinley Park Tuesday evening.

Master Sgt. Howard Mager, who has been spending a furlough at home after returning from 2 years and 10 months of overseas duty, left Thursday night for a camp in Penn.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the Tinley Park Fire Department and all who helped fight the fire at our home Tuesday. MR. and MRS. WALTER BETTENHAUSEN

TINLEY MEN'S BOWLING League

Service Bakery	27 18
F. Goebel's Ins.	26 19
Chuck's Gro. and Mkt.	23 22
Mel's Service Station	23 22
Tinley Park Dairy	21 24
Hicks' Mkt.	21 24
English Bros. Garage	20 25
Vogt's Dept. Store	19 26

Chuck's Gro. and Mkt. won two from English Bros. Garage, Hicks' Mkt. won two from F. Goebel's Ins., Service Bakery, won two from Tinley Park Dairy, Mel's Service Station won two from Vogt's Dept. Store.

In the individual class N. Schoeneck took all honors with a high game of 227 and a high series of 591.

The American Legion Auxiliary members, please note. There will be no meeting on Friday, December 22. Our next business meeting will be January 12. Please attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Klitte of Kenosha, Wis. entertained some Tinley friends in their home Sunday. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jahrmarkt, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Schanz, Mrs. L. Schanz, Mrs. Clemens. They brought back to Tinley the Klitte's hearty greetings for the Holiday season, to their many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rowden and Mr. and Mrs. Henderson celebrated their 25th wedding anniversaries this week.

Mr. Reese spent a few days in Milwaukee, Wis. last week on business.

The Smiling Thru Bunco club was entertained at a Christmas party Thursday at the home of Mrs. Wm. Rick. Gifts were exchanged and bunco played.

Friends will be glad to know Mrs. R. Freberg has returned home from the hospital after her accident.

Mr. Henry Clark has been ill in his home the past few days with a very bad cold.

Don't forget the RNA meeting and Christmas party Tuesday night. Everyone is asked to bring a gift. This will also be Past Oracle's night.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clark entertained the latter's parents and brother and family of Hegewisch last Sunday at a Christmas party. Mrs. M. Goessel was also a guest.

the hospital after her accident. Mr. Henry Clark has been ill in his home the past few days with a very bad cold.

TINLEY LADIES Bowling League

English Bros.	32 13
Service Bakery	25 20
Beatty Lmbr. Co.	23 22
Hicks' Mkt.	20 25
Karlo Kennels	19 26
Bettenhausen's Hdw.	16 29

Marge Schanz took individual honors with high series of 529 and high game of 210.

ORLAND PARK

by Mrs. S. S. Knox

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Sgt. Arthur M. Kimmel, killed in battle, December 24, 1943.

TO BUD

Dear Lord you took him from us
Because you always knew
That he belonged in heaven,
Up there, along with you.

You guided him until the time
When no longer you could bear
To keep him on the earth among
The many dangers there.

You took him young into your fold,
Some time on all Saints' Day.
We had no choice in this regard,
For him, O, Lord, we pray.

With you he'll be most happy, and
As we go on, each year,
Please tell him, Lord, he's in our
thoughts,
Although he is not here.

MOTHER, DAD, SIS AND BROTHERS.

Cpl. Frank R. Robson was recently promoted from the grade of Pfc. at Westover Field, Mass., where he is presently on duty.

ORLAND 4-H CLUB NEWS

By Norman Bernard, Club Reporter
The Achievement meeting of the Orland Boys' 4-H Club was held Dec. 12, in the Maue school at which parents and friends were invited.

Members reported on the year's accomplishments. Norman Yunker, our leader, distributed the awards. Mr. Glover Asst. Farm Adviser showed movie pictures. After the business meeting bunco and pinocle were played. Refreshments were served and enjoyed by all.



"Wear White after Dark" is the subject of the December school poster in the series, "Take Care of Yourself", being distributed to more than 38,000 classrooms in Illinois and Indiana by the Chicago Motor club. The poster emphasizes pointedly one of the major causes of pedestrian fatalities. Designed to stress the contribution children can make in working together for victory, this poster series has been commended by leading educators throughout the United States. Instruction sheets accompanying the poster enable teachers to use the safety lessons to the best advantage for pupils of all ages in various localities.

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Morning worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening club 8:00 p.m.

Church School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Friday of this week there will be a Carol and Candlelight service at 8:00 p. m. Sunday morning we will have our Christmas worship service with special music. Christmas Eve will bring our annual program. The children will present their program and Santa Claus will be there to reward them.

In The Churches

ST. PETER'S EVANG. AND REFORMED CHURCH

Frankfort, Illinois

Rev. Eric Bizer, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 A. M.

Divine Service 10:30 A. M.

Confirmation class every Saturday at 9:30 am.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Lincoln Estates

Rev. Phillip LaBue, Pastor

Tel. 3218

Sunday school 10:00 am.

Morning worship, 11:00 am.

Evangelistic service 8 pm.

Midweek service Wednesday 8 pm.

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Sunday Services:

Sunday School 3:00 p. m.

Young People's Meeting 6:30 to 7:30 p. m.

Divine Service 7:30 p. m.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

ORLAND PARK, ILL.

Mass each Sunday morning at a. m. and 9 a. m.

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Rev. Rhinholts

New Lenox, Illinois

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ST. WILFRED'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Lincoln Estates, Frankfort, Ill.

Rev. Otto Thiel, OFM, Pastor

Mass 8:00 a. m. each Sunday except the third and fifth Sundays of each month at 8:00 a. m. Religious instruction every Sunday morning.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

MOKENA, ILLINOIS

Pastor- Rev. Otto Thiel, OFM

Mass 8:00 a. m. each Sunday except the third and fifth Sundays of each month at 10 a.m. Religious instruction at 10:15 a.m. every Saturday.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Tinley Park, Illinois

Alb. Buddenhagen, Pastor

German service 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:45 am.

English service 11:00 a.m.

Dec. 24—Christmas program to be sponsored by the Sunday school will be given in the evening at 7:30.

There will be no church service in the morning.

Dec. 25—Christmas Day. German and English services at the usual time.

Dec. 31—English service at 11:00 a. m. German service at 8 p. m. Jan. 1—English service at 11 a. m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

New Lenox

Rev. James G. Manz, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 A. M.

Divine Services: 10:30 A. M.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Changeless Christ for a Changing World.

Orland Park, Illinois.

A. Lach, Pastor

Public Worship 10:00 A. M.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 9:00 A. M.

Confirmation instruction for children on Wednesday at 4:15 p. m. and on Saturday at 9:00 to 12:00. Adult instruction by special appointment.

Dec. 24—Children's Christmas service at 7:30 p. m.

Dec. 25—Christmas festival service in English at 10 a.m. In German at 9:00 a. m.

Dec. 31—Divine service in German 9 a. m., in English at 10 a. m. German communion service at 9 a. m.

Dec. 31—Sylvester eve. Communion in English 8 p. m. Preparatory service 7:30 p. m.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod, Mokena, Ill.

The Church of the Lutheran Hour

A. W. Gode, Pastor

Sunday School 9:00 A. M.

Worship 10:00 A. M.

Come and worship with us.

We preach Christ Crucified.

Sunday evening, Children's Christmas Eve service at 7:30 p. m. On Christmas Day worship service at 10 a. m.

BAPTIST GOSPEL CENTER

TINLEY PARK, ILL.

You are cordially invited to attend the Baptist Gospel Center Tinley Park, Ill. "Proclaiming the Glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Sun. 8:00 pm. Evangelistic service. Mr. Fredrickson, speaker.

Sun. 3:00 pm. Sunday School for all ages.

Thurs. 8:00 pm. Prayer service.

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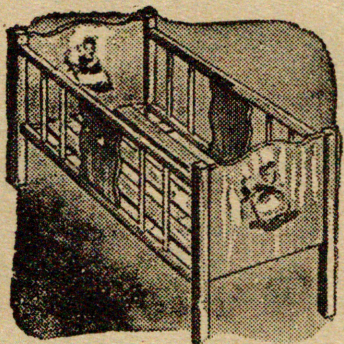
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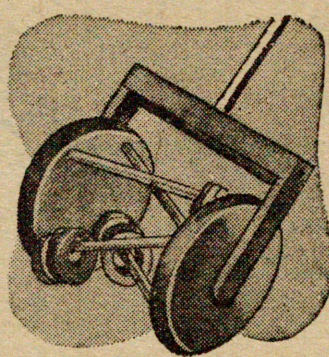
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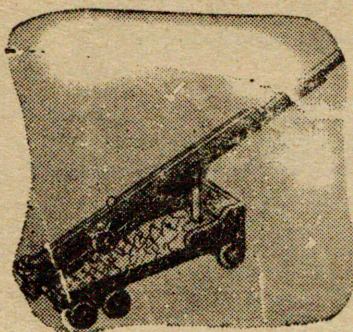
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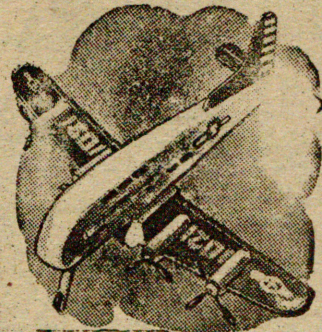
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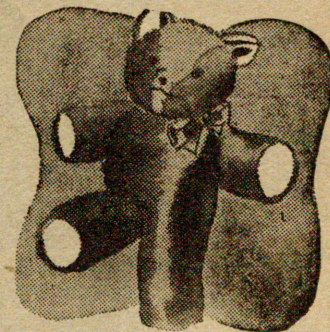
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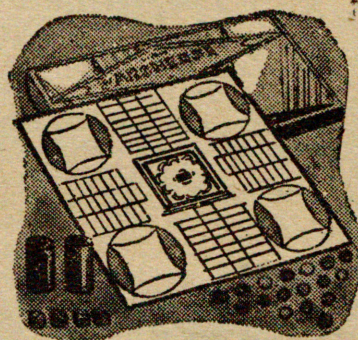
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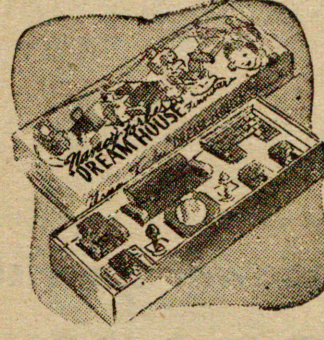
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New Year's Day Antedates the Birth of Christ by 452 Years

The celebration of New Year's on January 1 began in 452 B. C., and therefore, contrary to logical reasoning, had nothing whatsoever to do with the birth of Christ.

The ancient Roman calendar began in, and with, the month of March; there were ten months, the last six of which were named Quintilis, Sextilis, September, October, November and December or the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth months respectively. Numa added two months, January and February, placing the former at the beginning of the year and February at the end. In 452 B. C., February was placed between January and March, thus establishing the order of months as of today. The ancient calendar year did not correspond to the solar year and by the time the days of Julius Caesar rolled around the actual calendar equinoxes were months apart; a situation which Caesar set out to remedy.

Caesar's astronomers and calendar experts fixed the calendar year at 365 days—and because they estimated the solar year as of 365 1/4 days—an extra day was to be added every fourth year. This Julian calendar was effective, by decree of Caesar, on January 1, 46 B. C.

Actually, the earth goes around the sun in 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes and 46 seconds; and by 1582 A. D., the

Julian calendar was 10 days behind the sun. Pope Gregory XIII remedied the situation by ordering that the calendar play leap frog and the intervening days between October 5 and October 15, 1582, were lost forever.

In order to prevent repetitions of the sun running away from the calendar and vice versa, Pope Gregory decided that a leap year should be omitted now and then, hence only those years divisible by four—exclusive of years numbering

the centuries should have 366 days, and the century marking years shall be leap years only if divisible by four after the ciphers have been omitted.

The Gregorian calendar has been officially adopted in most countries of the civilized world, however, many creeds and peoples still celebrate their religious and traditional festivals in accordance with ancient calendars.

Pre-Christian Roman inaugurated the new year by offering sacrifices to the gods, ex-

changing greetings and bestowing gifts. During the early Christian centuries, New Year festivities persisted and became so boisterous that the faithful were forbidden to participate therein.

After December 25 had been established as the day of nativity, the church made January 1 a religious festival honoring the circumcision of Jesus; the day being thus observed in the Roman church since 487 and in the Anglican church since 1549.



A Merry Christmas

When that warm glow fills your being and you tingle with desire to tell everyone what a wonderful place this old world is, you know it is Holiday time . . . and neighbors, we just want to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

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The greetings we extend to our many friends are expressed in the single desire that we may continue to serve you throughout the coming years so we may reserve your Cheery Greetings . . . Many happy wishes of good cheer and Happy Holidays to all.

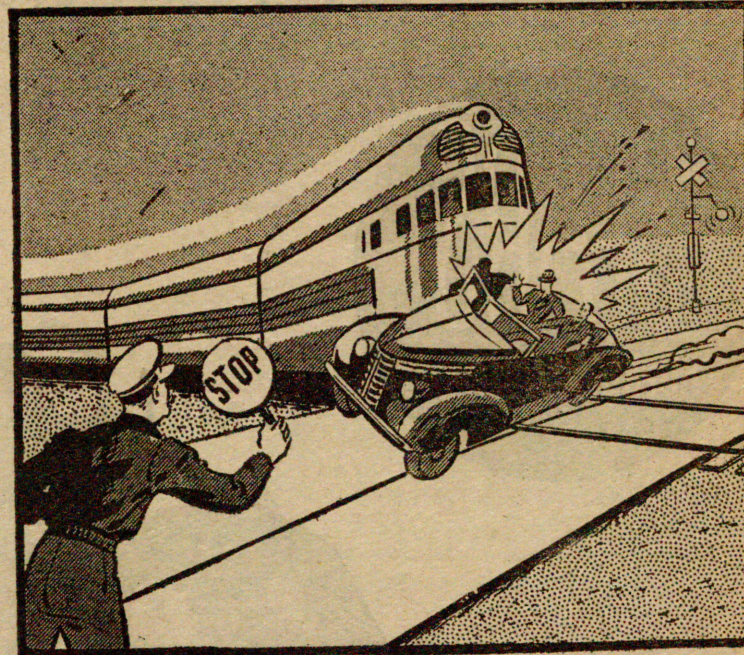
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Holiday Season and year
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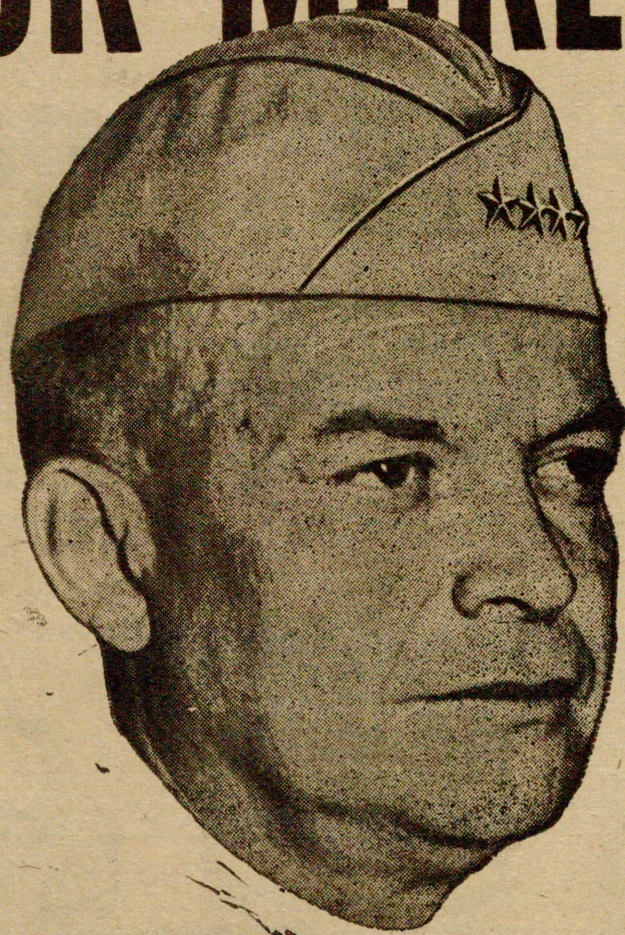
Tongues of the victims of the grade crossing accident shown here were wagging faster than the wig-wag warning signal as the car approached the grade crossing—wagging so fast the three occupants of the car didn't see the crossing watchman either, holding his STOP sign high.

Two of the talkers were killed when the train hit them, including the driver, the car was badly damaged and the train delayed one hour.

The surviving occupant of the car said all three had been conversing, diverting the driver's mind from concentration on what always should be a full-time job for a driver—driving his car.

The National Safety Council is conducting a special campaign to stop these accidents, which every day delay 38 trains a total of 22 hours—a blow at transportation facilities which the nation cannot afford, least of all in wartime.

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This is an emergency. Need for warworkers in certain key industries has suddenly increased. Our armed forces have advanced with such amazing speed—and fighting is now so intensely violent—that we have actually used up ammunition and supplies intended for use next MARCH.

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The warworkers of this area have already done a magnificent production job. But now, more production than ever is needed.

Unfortunately, our military successes have led many people to believe our need for war production is nearly at an end. THIS IS NOT TRUE. War Production Board has just announced that war production will probably not be cut back much more than 15% when Germany is defeated—because we will need so much firepower and equipment to defeat Japan.

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Happy Holidays

May we give you a few lines from the poet Whittier to express our Holiday Greetings to you:

For somehow, not only for Christmas
But all the long year through,
The joy that you give to others
Is the joy that comes back to you;
And the more you spend in blessing
The poor and the lonely and sad,
The more of your heart's possessing
Returns to make you glad.

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Orland Park

Mrs. S. S. Knox

Laurel camp 1796 RNA will hold its regular meeting Thursday evening December 28 at 8 pm., in the home of Mrs. Emma Jacobson. After the usual business session, the social period will be in the form of a Christmas party. Each member is requested to bring a 25c gift for the gift exchange. All members are urged to attend.

The Adult Bible Class of the Methodist church were responsible for packing and delivering 15 Christmas Chere Boxes to its members and friends. The committee in charge wish to express their thanks and appreciation to the donors of "goodies" to fill these boxes.

The Orland Park Unit of Cook County Home Bureau held its December meeting and Christmas party Tuesday evening December 5 at the home of Mrs. Dowling. Nineteen members and 2 guests were in attendance and our Home Advisor Mrs. Marie Cornelius gave a very interesting and instructive talk on Grooming. The roll call was answered by suggestions for unusual Christmas gifts. The exchange of grab bag gifts filled the room with excitement and surprises. The ladies all benefited in good measure from the cookie recipes that our members donated and the samples of cookies were served as refreshments with delicious coffee made by the hostess. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Maue on 108th Ave. near 179th St. Tuesday evening, Jan. 9. Mrs. Ihlenfeld and Mrs. Dowling will give the Major lesson on Pastries and Miss Patricia Dowling will give the minor lesson on Chinese Women.

All those interested in these lessons are cordially invited. Refreshments will be served.

The annual Christmas party of the WSCS of the Methodist church will be held Thursday, December 28 at the home of Mrs. Harry Anderson, 108 Ave. A potluck dinner will be served at 1 pm. There will be a gift exchange and each member is asked to bring a 25 cent gift. Members are to meet at the church at 12:30 pm. Those having cars for transportation are also asked to be there at 12:30.

Fourteen members of the Orland Park Woman's Club dared the cold and snow last Wednesday to attend the potluck dinner and Christmas party held at the home of the president, Mrs. Harry Pihl. The delicious potluck dinner was served at 1 pm. Mrs. Geo. Gee Jr. and Mrs. Paul Saunders favored the group with a duet "O, Holy Night". The members sang various Christmas carols and played several games. All in all they report having had an enjoyable afternoon. Twenty five Christmas boxes were mailed to the Orland boys in service stationed at the various camps in the states. Twenty nine boxes were previously mailed to the boys overseas.

The Adult Bible Class of the Methodist church held a Christmas party Wednesday evening December 13 in the church parlors. The members enjoyed singing Christmas carols and playing several games. Refreshments were served by the hostess committee: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Beagley, Mr. and Mrs. John Loebe, and Mrs. Sherman Knox.



Christmas Cheer to All!

May the caroler's song bring you every joy, and may the coming year be bright with happiness and success.

Edw. Schmaedeke
ORLAND PARK, ILL.



Happy Holidays

Old Santa, the symbol of happiness to old and young alike. We like to feel that he is bringing our greetings into your home with the hope that blessings of peace will soon add an abundance of happiness to your fireside.

Barney's Tavern
Orland Park, Ill.

The regular meeting of the PTA was held in the school library Thursday evening Dec. 14 at 8 pm. Mr. Ralph Town and Mr. T. Erwin Kelly demonstrated the new projector, recently purchased by the school board, by showing pictures of the National parks, through the courtesy of Ford Motor Co. Mr. Town showed colored slides of the Yosemite, Grand Canyon, Carmel California, ocean pictures of the west coast and some of France ruined buildings etc. caused by the bombs in this terrible war. These pictures are in natural colors and were taken by Lt. John F. Dick, who is stationed somewhere in Belgium. He is a brother in law of Mrs. Ralph Town.

Christmas carols were sung by all and refreshments were served by: Mesdames Thos. Wheeler, Edw. Brauer, Robt. Ebeling, Jake Ballou and Wm. Schraeder.

Mrs. John F. Dick of Bellevue, Ohio, wife of Lt. Dick and sister of Mrs. Ralph Town is a guest at the Town home.

John Hillhouse, EM-1c, who has served in the Pacific is enjoying a 30 day leave and spent Thursday with his sister Mrs. Ralph Town. His home is also in Bellevue, Ohio.

Mrs. Harry Hallinan has returned to Orland Park after a week's visit in New York with her husband Sgt. Harry W. Hallinan.

The Junior girls of the High school entertained their mothers at a Tea in the Economics unit, Tuesday afternoon.

The Cub Pack meeting and Christmas party was held at the Methodist church Friday evening December 15. Everette Spencer passed the Bobcat requirements and advanced to Wolf. The big event of the evening was the first graduation from cubing to scouting, Karl Smith being the first Cub to reach the age of 12, Jerry Conover being the second graduate. They both received their Webelos Badge. Mr. Richard Farr welcomed the boys into Troop 51. Rev. H. E. Rompel was the speaker of the evening. Santa Claus' helper distributed lolly pops to the boys and small visitors. Refreshments of Christmas cookies and coffee were served at a beautifully decorated table in the Christmas spirit. Mrs. Jane Smith was responsible for the table decorations. There was a display of the boys' handwork.

Mrs. B. J. Rooth entertained her Sunday school class at a party and dinner last Wednesday afternoon and evening. Games were played and prizes given for their skill. They all report having a fine time.

MARLEY

Virginia Saxe

The Missionary Society has requested that the sacrifice plates be turned in on or before December 31, so that the annual report of the society can be completed. Seventeen were turned in at the regular meeting Dec. 14.

Mrs. Sophie Olson and Mr. Lars Kanuteson of Ruscom, Canada left for their home Sunday after spending several days in the home of their sister Mrs. Chas. Dale.

Pfc. and Mrs. Homer Bush have arrived to spend the holidays with relatives. On Saturday they were guests of Mrs. G. W. Bush.

Mrs. Alfred Sproat and daughter Lois were guests Saturday afternoon in the Howard Morse home in Joliet.

Wednesday night pupils of the Marley school presented their Christmas program. Thursday night the Hadley school gave their program and Friday night a Christmas program was presented in the Maple Street school.

Mr. Chas. Reniff is ill in his home. Mrs. Fred Lauffer underwent a major operation in Silver Cross hospital last Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Russel Lauffer and children were dinner guests Sunday.

of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lauffer.

Mrs. Mary Marshall and Mrs. Clayton Cleveland attended a Christmas party last Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Augusta Lash in Lemont.

Mrs. A. J. Cleveland has returned to her home after spending a week with relatives in Chicago.

The regular meeting of the Missionary society was held last Thursday in the church with Mrs. Everett Bell, Mrs. James Bell, Mrs. Walter Haas and Mrs. Ralph Bell as hostesses. Dinner was served at noon. The annual election of officers was held and the following were re-elected: Mrs. Arthur Lauffer, pres., Mrs. Minnie Blodgett, vice president, and Miss Caroline Tilsy, secretary and treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Francis and family of Manhattan were entertained at dinner Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Frazer.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Cleveland and family and Mrs. Mary Marshall attended the Wyman-Gordon Christmas party at the Civic Center in Harvey, Sunday.

There will be no Farm Life meeting in the Marley church next Wednesday, Dec. 27, but there will be a meeting Wednesday, Jan. 3.

Christmas services in the Marley church will begin Friday evening with a carol and candle lighting service at 8 o'clock. On Sunday morning at 11 o'clock there will be a special Christmas worship service in the church with Rev. Paul Saunders giving the sermon. There will be special music by the choir. Sunday evening at 8 o'clock the Christmas Eve program will be given by the children of the Sunday school. A playlet, a tableau, songs and recitations make up the program which is under the direction of Mrs. Helen Saunders, chairman, Miss Helen Tilsy, Mrs. Frances Lauffer and Mrs. Virginia Saxe.

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150th and Wolf Road News
By Mrs. Robert Roth

Mr. David Sharbaro from Everett, Washington spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stewart. Mrs. Lena Yeager spent Saturday in Chicago with her mother Mrs. Fernand LeFever.

Beverly and Jo Ann LaFever spent Sunday night at the home of Beverly Yeager.

Jeanine Roth, Dorothy and Grace Reiter attended a 7th year birthday party Saturday given in honor of Donna Rickerman at the home of her parents.

Little Janet Maue celebrated her 3rd birthday Saturday at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Donald Maue. Mrs. Helen Stewart and daughter Charlene were visitors in the afternoon.

Mrs. Maita Stenge and son Billy left last week for Norman, Okla., where she will spend the holidays with her husband S. 2-c Willard Stenge who is in training at the Naval Gunners school there.

Members of the Community Club surprised Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stewart Sunday evening Dec. 17 with a party held in the school house basement in celebration of their 15th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart received many nice gifts.

Lunch brought in potluck form, was served after which games were played. Attending were: Mr. Chas. Doctor, Mrs. Amelia Putz, Mrs. Sally Samson, Mrs. Marion Colangelo, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Sayers; Mr. and Mrs. Amil Doctor, Mr. and Mrs. Rich. Fitterer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sayers,

the Earl Sayers and family, the Geo. Sayers and family, and the Robt. Roths and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Atkinson of Chicago visited Mrs. Robt. Roth on Thursday evening.

The Robert Roth family enjoyed Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roth of Homewood.

Mr. and Mrs. Roth and family spent Monday in Chicago with Mrs. Roth's mother Mrs. Mabel Prust and grandmother Mrs. Eliz. Williams.

Mr. Chas. Doctor enjoyed Sunday dinner in the home of his niece Mrs. Schroth.

The writer of this column wishes at this time to express her appreciation and extend thanks to those who have so willingly assisted her in gathering bits of news of interest to the neighborhood and to everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy and prosperous New Year together with the fulfillment of our greatest wish, that of final victory and peace.

The Season of Christmas

THE WISE MEN saw it over the hills of old Judea—it glows in the Christmas sky tonight, though clouds may obscure the heavens. It is a beacon of hope in a world in which there is ever so much room for improvement. Its spirit travels around this earth, encouraging, sustaining, and beautifying. Our Christmas greeting to every man, woman and child in this community—a greeting as warm and hearty—we hope—as if it were made to each in person with a friendly smile and a shake of the hand.

Merry Christmas

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The clean white snow of the Holiday Season brings to mind happy days. It is our Holiday wish that all of your days may bring happiness.

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Christmas Cheer

O Little Town Of Bethlehem!

The three wise men found their greatest happiness at the end of their quest—

Their greatest burden was the gift of adoration which they carried joyously.

At this most happy and solemn season of the year, our greeting is expressed best in the hope that the priceless treasure of happiness and joy shall be yours always.

Loebe Brothers

ORLAND PARK, ILLINOIS



There's a joy in the heart That sets Christmas apart, To make it a day of all days And may its true peace And good will never cease To bless you in manifold ways.

John Helenhouse

Orland Park, Ill.

GREETINGS of the SEASON



A CHEERY Merry Christmas to all as we gather around the festive tree which is symbol of the bounty that we have enjoyed through the year.

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AT CHRISTMAS perhaps more than at any other time in the year we realize what it means to be an American—to worship as we please, to go about our daily pursuits unfettered, to take time out to pay homage to the beautiful myth of Santa Claus.

And at Christmas we realize particularly what your patronage has meant to us, and we take this opportunity to thank you while wishing you all a most Merry Christmas.

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John Burkhardt

Orland Park, Ill.

NEW LENOX

Dolores Anderson
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Bill Bethel has resumed his studies at the JHS following a three weeks illness.

Mrs. John Ormand has returned to her home in Decatur after spending a few days here with her sister Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sinclair and other relatives.

Mrs. F. C. Cole returned Friday from Billings Memorial hospital at Chicago where she was a medical patient for two weeks.

Mr. Alfred Heisner is seriously ill in Silver Cross hospital.

Pfc. Chas. Wood of Pueblo, Colo., arrived home to spend the Christmas and New Years holidays with his wife and children who now reside in Joliet.

The infant daughter of Pfc. and Mrs. Chas. Wood was christened Judith Ann Sunday afternoon at 1:30 in St. Mary's Catholic church in Joliet with the Rev. Father Sylvester Sneed officiating. Sponsors for the baby were Mr. and Mrs. Truman Mierferat. Following the service dinner was held in the Wood home for friends and relatives. Many nice gifts were presented the baby. The Woods are former New Lenox residents and Mrs. Wood will be remembered as the former Evelyn Cigary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Cigary of New Lenox.

St. Jude's Altar Society held their annual Christmas party, pot luck dinner and gift exchange in the church basement Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Carnahan are the parents of a baby, boy born Tuesday Dec. 12.

AMM 2-c Robt. J. Wysock will celebrate his 24th birthday on Christmas Day somewhere in Honolulu. This will also mark his second Christmas and birthday spent in Honolulu. He had written his parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Wysock and family that he plans to be home in the near future and upon his arrival in the states will be married to Miss Marge Murray of Joliet, who is living with relatives at Long Beach, Cal., where she is employed with the Civil Service for the Navy. The wedding will take place at Long Beach before they return home here.

Mrs. Wm. Heptig entertained at a party honoring the 8th birthday of her daughter Gail, recently. Games

were played and prizes were awarded to Karen Hallgren, and Carlene Flynn. Refreshments were served at one long table covered with a white cloth and centered with a birthday cake. Nut cups and other decorations were in green and yellow. Each guest was presented a favor and the honored guest received many nice gifts. Attending the party were: Lynn and Coral Jean Heptig, Ferril Redmond, Ann Zusag, Gloria and Gaillyn McCoy, Joyce Gobush, Carlene Flynn, Karen and Sonja Hallgren, Joan Ridgeway, Barbara Hall and Diane Wondrasek.

Christmas services in the Trinity Ev. Lutheran church will be held as follows: 10:30 am. Sunday Dec. 24, regular Sunday morning service. 7:00 pm. Sunday, Dec. 24, Sunday school Christmas Eve services. 10:30 am. Monday, December 25 Christmas day service. Special music has been arranged for these services.

Miss Edith Stonehouse will sing during the morning service on Dec. 24. A group of girls from the Confirmation class will sing on Christmas Day in the service at 10:30 am. Every child in the Sunday School will have a part in the Christmas Eve program. A group of girls from the Walther League will sing the carol "O How Joyfully" in the Christmas Eve program.

The regular meeting of the Walther League of the Trinity Ev. Lutheran church will not be held this week. Instead of the second meeting this month the Leaguers will have a Christmas party Wednesday, Dec. 27, beginning at 7:30 pm.

Dolores Anderson, New Lenox correspondent for this paper, received the following from Wm. P. Flynn, 1st Lt. Infantry; Public Relations officer, November 27, 1944:

"Tec. 5 Ronald Slick is now fighting in France with the famous, fighting 112th Tank Battalion, the armored spearhead of the famed 90th Division, one of the first divisions to land in the Invasion of the Continent. His battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Geo. B. Randolph and 90th Division, have received much praise for their magnificent contribution to the battle of France. They gained fame in combat among the hedgerows of Normandy in the early days of the Invasion and later the famous Battle of Forêt de Mont Castré. The same outfit figured in the capture of the important city of Le Mans and was instrumental in closing the resulting Falaise Gap and the resulting capture of several thousand German prisoners." Tec. 5 Slick joined the

Battalion August 24, 1944 and has participated in many big battles across France. This soldier is a member of Co. D, 712 Tank Battalion and is a Tank driver.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Smith and family of Yorkville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mangun and family.

LaVerne Ullrich has returned to his home in Monee after spending the past week with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bethel.

Ray Osmus of Jackson, Mich. spent the weekend with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Gus Osmus and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Stephens were hosts at their annual family Christmas dinner Sunday at noon in the Stephens home at Frankfort. Following the dinner that was served at noon at one large table covered with a lace cloth and centered with a beautiful miniature Christmas tree, Bingo and card games were played and prizes were awarded to Mrs. Gus Osmus, Mrs. John Jensen and Mrs. Alfred Bethel. Decorations throughout the home were in Christmas colors, red and green. A gift exchange was also enjoyed, and a supper was served at 6 o'clock. Guests were: Mrs. Alfred Bethel, Mr. and Mrs. John Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Jensen and daughter Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Storm, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Scherpe, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wassner and the hostesses.

Anyone who wishes to help make hospital slippers for the servicemen should contact Mrs. Clementine Hendrix at New Lenox 3931, who is the chairman of sewing for the Red Cross. Mrs. Laura Morris is vice chairman and can be reached at New Lenox 3171.

The regular meeting of the New Lenox unit of Home Bureau will meet Friday, December 29 in the home of Mrs. Ivan Archibald, instead of this Friday as was scheduled.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Cigary will spend the day in Joliet with their daughter Pfc. and Mrs. Chas. Wood and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kohlhaugen and son of Rockford will spend the holidays with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sinclair and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kohlhaugen. Both the Melvin Kohlhaugens and the Harry Kohlhaugens will enjoy a dinner in the Sinclair home Christmas day.

The home of Mrs. Sarah Volck n Alpine will be the scene of the traditional family gathering for a Christmas dinner at noon. From New Lenox, those attending will be: Mrs. Josephine Sayers, Mrs. Bessie Reed, CB 2-c Walter Sayers, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ayres and son, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Novak and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sayers and son and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Sayers and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Sayers and daughters will enjoy a 6 o'clock dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton King and daughter Jean in Plainfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Blood and family will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Winkler in Lockport.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Novak Sr. will entertain at a family gathering in their home Christmas day. Guests for dinner will be Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Novak and daughter of Oak Lawn, Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Halick of Cicero, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Glade of Manhattan and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Novak and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Batson will have the annual Christmas dinner in their home and guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brown and family of Joliet, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wirth and Mrs. Howard Osmus.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis McCann and family will have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wimbles of Chicago.

The Hubert Jays and family will be dinner guests in Chicago of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Jay and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Edw. L. Walsh will have as their dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Walsh and daughter, Mrs. Roy Minger Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Walsh and Miss Beatrice Walsh.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Penn will be Mr. and Mrs. F. Rylander of Chicago, John Moore, Mrs. Ruth Moore, Dewey Moore and son Bobby.

Wm. Penn visited with relatives in Bloomington during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Townshend will spend the day in Chicago with her mother Mrs. Wm. Weibring and her sister Mr. and Mrs. Sully Badamo.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Bright, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Brownlee and Mrs. Mary Hanson will be dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gregory and family in Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scheel will entertain at a family gathering in their home. Guests will be their daughter and son n law Major and Mrs. Kenneth Grubb of Orlando, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hobson of Harvey; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hobson and son of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hobson and son Teddy.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mangun will entertain at a family dinner in their home. Guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Russell Mangun and children, S/Sgt. and Mrs. Darwin Mangun, Miss Shirley Mangun; Mr. John Swanson and Miss Mae Boyd of Joliet.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Osmus will entertain at dinner Mr. and Mrs. Albert Osmus of Rockdale and the Ed Osmus' and family.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rawlett and family will be Mr. and Mrs. Donald Osmus and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bruns and Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Jensen will be dinner guests in the Storm and Jensen home.

Christmas Day Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Francis and Charles Francis will be guests for dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bitterman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells Holt will entertain in their home at a Christmas dinner Sunday at 4 o'clock. Later gifts from under the Christmas tree will

be distributed. Guests will be: Mr. and Mrs. Norman Peterson and children Karen and Richard of Milwaukee, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cady and daughter Sharon Lee, Mrs. Oriol Holt, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith of Joliet and Mr. and Mrs. Axel Peterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Woodcock and family and Mrs. Viola Corp will be guests at a family gathering in the home of their mother Mrs. Anna Maties in Chicago.

Miss Flora Goff is spending the holidays in Taylorville, Ill., with her mother Mrs. W. L. Goff.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Frey will have as their guest over the holidays, his mother Mrs. T. Frey of Princeton, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Emily will have as their holiday guests, their children, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Pugh and children of Hazelrude and Mr. and Mrs. Burton Gillette and children. Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Cooper and children will be in Sandwich, Ill., at the home of her brother Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kouth, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. O. Ellis will have as their dinner guests Mrs. F. C. Cole and children.

Mrs. Ole Evanson of Westby, Wis. will arrive here to spend Christmas and the winter months with her daughter Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reinhard and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ingram and sons, and Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Ingram will be in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Hamlin at Riverdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gullickson and sons will enjoy Christmas dinner with his mother Mrs. Alma Gullickson and grandmother Mrs. Caroline Fitzer on Sunday. On Monday they will be guests at a family gathering with her folks in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dirst at Minooka.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Sergeant and family will be guests at a family dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Chevillie in Joliet.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Krohn Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Chester Steinberg and son and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Weber and family will be dinner guests of Mrs. Augusta Steinberg at Manhattan.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Marshall will entertain her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hollowell of Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Peterson will spend the holidays in Chicago with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carlson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Berens and son will entertain Mrs. Clara Schneider and family at dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Righter and sons and Franklin Guest will be in Long Point, Ill. with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Anderson and children will entertain at a Christmas dinner in their home Sunday at 4 o'clock. Guests will be Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Walsh and Miss Beatrice Walsh. After the dinner Christmas gifts from under the tree will be opened and guests will drop in later for the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Wysock and family will have as their dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Ceward Batson, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Townsend and family will entertain at a Christmas dinner in their home Sunday, at 1 o'clock. Mrs. Adella Lorenzen, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Warning and son Duane, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bailey and daughters and Mrs. Mildred Morgan.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vally and son will be Mrs. Fannie Hacker, Miss Muriel Hacker of Mokena, Mr. and Mrs. Ceward Batson Jr., and family and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Whitaker and son.

Lincoln Estates

by Audrey Sluiter
Telephone 3235

Larry Vaughn of the Merchant Marine is home on a short leave.

A group of Lincoln Estates children enjoyed a sleigh ride last Friday night. Mr. Hunter finished the sleigh and horses.

Albert Swatek returned to school after undergoing an appendectomy in Silver Cross hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilson attended the Wyman Gordon Co. Christmas party in Hammond, Sunday.

Mrs. E. Young visited the Wilson's a few days.

A meeting was held in Ann Rutledge school by the Community Club December 14. Officers were elected as follows: Mr. B. Lockwood, Pres., Mr. Howton, vice president, Mrs. O. Andrews, Secretary, Mr. C. Niedringhaus Treasurer. Board of Directors are: Mr. O. Andrews, chairman, H. Winger, B. Blaylock, Mrs. Swatek and Mrs. Wilson.

Watch this column for the announcement of next meeting.

Mrs. P. Sluiter received further word that her son Pfc. John DeHaan is improving normally.

Mrs. C. Carlson visited Wyoma Lindstrom of Joliet a few days last week.

Word has been received that Helmut Goering, of the Maritime Service, son of MM 1-c and Mrs. E. Goering has shipped out for active duty.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Sauter, former residents of Lincoln Estates celebrated their first wedding anniversary December 18.

Harry Gibson of the Navy is home on a 15 day leave.

The children of Bloom THS are enjoying a 17 day Christmas vacation. Many of them are spending their time in employment.

Mrs. Ernest Taylor and children and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Heavener and children were guests at a Christmas party given by the Pollard family Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Schaefer and Billy visited Mrs. Wiedefeld and son of Chicago, former resident of Lincoln Estates, Saturday.

Mrs. G. Letts celebrated her birthday Tuesday, December 12.

Gatter School News

The Gatter unit of the Junior Red

Cross have contributed the following to date: 1 1-2 doz. Thanksgiving Menu covers, 1 doz. Hallowe'en postcards, 44 pairs slippers, 3 bags milkweed pods; Filled one Christmas box and finished one joke book. 6 doz. Christmas favors.

A impressive Christmas program number, "The Birthday of the King" is being given the afternoon of Friday December 22 by the entire school. The PTA will serve a chicken dinner at noon.

FRANKFORT

By Mrs. Arthur Lambrecht
Telephone Frankfort 2822

Pupils of the Frankfort elementary school will present their annual Christmas program to the public on Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock. The primary room will stage a playlet "What the Stars Saw." The teacher is Miss Annette Kohlhaugen. Mrs. Henry Heisner's room will enact Santa's Court. Christmas Comes But Once a Year is the title of the play sponsored by Miss Lankenau's junior high students. There will be musical selections in addition to the plays and the public is invited to attend the program which will be held in the school auditorium.

Thursday afternoon, closing day for the Christmas vacation, the pupils will have their Christmas treat, and gift exchange.

It was announced by Miss Viola Lankenau, principal, that the Frankfort school Junior Red Cross recently completed 10 four dimensional decorated Christmas trees, 25 tray favors and 36 Christmas cards which will be used in servicemen's hospitals. The group finished 12 pairs of bed room slippers and have 12 more pairs to make.

Frankfort school teachers have been invited to attend the reception which will be held Wednesday afternoon and evening at the Ottawa St. Methodist church in Joliet honoring Lt. Louis Bottino, Will County Supt. of schools who is home on leave.

After the holidays, Frankfort school pupils will fill a number of Good Will boxes containing educational supplies to be sent to war orphans in foreign countries.

A Christmas program will be presented at St. Peter's church at 7:30 pm. Christmas Eve.

The Youth Fellowship will carol on Christmas evening.

Rev. and Mrs. Bizer and members of the Youth Fellowship heard Sunday's presentation of the Messiah at Chicago Heights Sunday.

At the Frankfort Methodist church the Christmas program will be held Sunday evening at 7:30 and the Green Garden church program will be Saturday at 7:30 pm.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Krusemark, Sr. attended the wedding of their nephew Frederick Whitlark, medical cadet USN to Miss Amelia Thoren, Saturday afternoon at Bethlehem Lutheran church in Joliet. They were guests at the reception which was held at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. F. Thoren of Joliet, after the ceremony.

Among the 25 guests entertained at a pre-Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lochbihler of Berwyn, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Krusemark Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Krusemark Jr. and son. The dinner was given in honor of Capt. Frederic Lochbihler home on a thirty day leave after three years in the south Pacific area. Capt. Lochbihler is well remembered here as the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Louis Krusemark.

A new address is that of Sgt. Walter L. Haakanson, Camp Shelby, Miss.

Pvt. Wm. Breidert will remain at home until Dec. 24, having had his furlough extended 4 days.

Robt. Bizer student at Elmhurst College, will visit at the home of his parents Rev. and Mrs. Bizer until Jan. 3.

The Women's Guild of St. Peter's church met in the church parlors last Thursday. A pot luck dinner was served to 65 members and guests. The tables were attractively decorated with centerpieces of pine boughs and candles. Each place was marked with a boutonniere of tiny pine cones and arbor vitae, tied with a red ribbon. Later a business and devotional meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Glenn Folkers. The theme was The Home and Christmas. Christmas hymns were sung accompanied by Mrs. E. Bizer. Mrs. Folkers led the devotions in place of Mrs. R. Oetter who was unable to attend. Rev. Bizer read A Star in the Sky. The business meeting followed. Mrs. Alvin Harnack, thank offering chairman announced that the amount of the offering has reached \$182.51 for foreign and national missions. Gifts were brought for Japanese children in our concentration camps. The meeting was closed with a hymn and prayer and the installation of the new vice president and secretary. Mrs. Stanley Johnson and Mrs. Roy Koerner by the pastor. Chairs were placed in a large circle and Santa Claus distributed the gifts which had been placed about the Christmas tree. Games and contests provided entertainment. The next meeting will be held the last Thursday in Jan.

Following the devotional meeting at which Kay Lambrecht led the Christmas story, the Youth Fellowship of St. Peter's Ev. church held election of officers Sunday evening as follows: Shirley Weichbrodt, president, Scherrill Weichbrodt, vice pres., Lucille Topp, secretary, Alan Hedges, treasurer and Roger Hedges pianist. Kay Lambrecht is the retiring president. The group decided to stage a play in order to raise

money for choir robes and the following committee was appointed to name the play: Kay Lambrecht, Arnold Bizer, Geo. Folkers and Marilyn Bennett. Games were played and refreshments were served by Arline Weitendorf, Bernice Schmuhl Robt. Erdman and Walter Lembke.

The annual Christmas party of the Frankfort Women's Club was held Wednesday evening in the home of Mrs. Herbert P. Folkers and started with a potluck dinner at 6:30 o'clock. The Santa Claus theme was carried out in all the decorations made by Mrs. Hedges, Mrs. Hiroshige Mrs. Folkers, Mrs. Breidert and Mrs. Bizer. Santa Claus was the centerpiece on the dining room table, and was flanked on either side with red tapers. Members dined at quartette tables where a single candle formed the centerpiece and favors were Santa Claus heads cleverly made of hard boiled eggs dressed as St. Nick. A life size Santa Claus stood in a corner of the dining room where the gifts for convalescent servicemen were placed. These gifts will be distributed by the Red Cross. Following the dinner the meeting was called to order by the president Mrs. Lamar Weathersbee and the opening ceremonies were conducted. Letters of thanks for Christmas gifts have been arriving from local servicemen and were read by the secretary.

The club voted to continue its custom of sending cards and cookies to the Will County Poor Farm. Mrs. O. Maples presented the following program: Scripture reading by Mrs. E. L. Winters; group singing of Christmas carols, Mrs. Raymond Hiroshige at the piano, a book review on The Book Nobody Knows, by Bruce Barton, was given by Mrs. Mina Malek. An article on the movie King of Kings was read by Mrs. Gilbert Wassner. Mrs. E. Engelman and Mrs. Hiroshige arranged a game for which Mrs. Walter Pfaff and Miss Viola Lankenau won prizes. Mrs. Maples conducted a spelling bee won by Miss Lankenau.

Mrs. Lawrence Woodman read an interesting letter written by a Catholic Nun in St. Lo, France to Mrs. Maples, concerning the kindness shown her people by Capt. Maples.

Mrs. Herbert Hilgendorf was a guest. The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Erich Bizer. At the close of the meeting ice cream and cookies were served.

A potluck dinner was served to about 30 members and guests at the December meeting of the WSGS of the Green Garden Methodist church Wednesday at noon. Three tables were decorated with chenille Christmas trees and chenille pointsettias were given as favors. Christmas gifts were exchanged. Mrs. Earl E. Tenhausen was program chairman and led the devotions. Mrs. Edwin Dralle read the Christmas story and Kathryn Ullrich accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Alvin Wanner.

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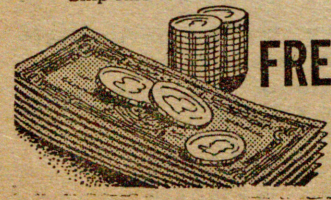
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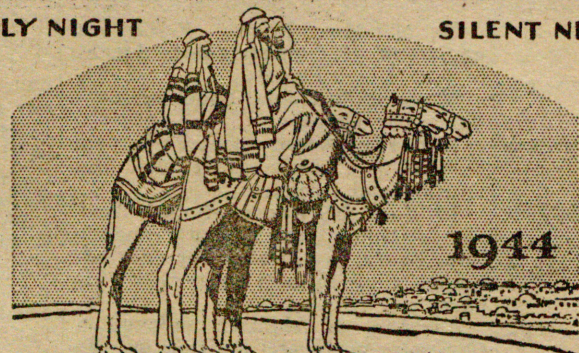
What stancher tree than the oak, and what stancher friends than ours? Each year at Christmas we realize more keenly than ever that our success in this community is deeply rooted in the firm soil of friendship. We cannot tell you in so many words how much these friendly associations mean to us, and how we cherish them. But we know you will understand.

In this spirit of appreciation we send our sincere good Christmas wishes to you and to all those dear to you.

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HOLY NIGHT

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

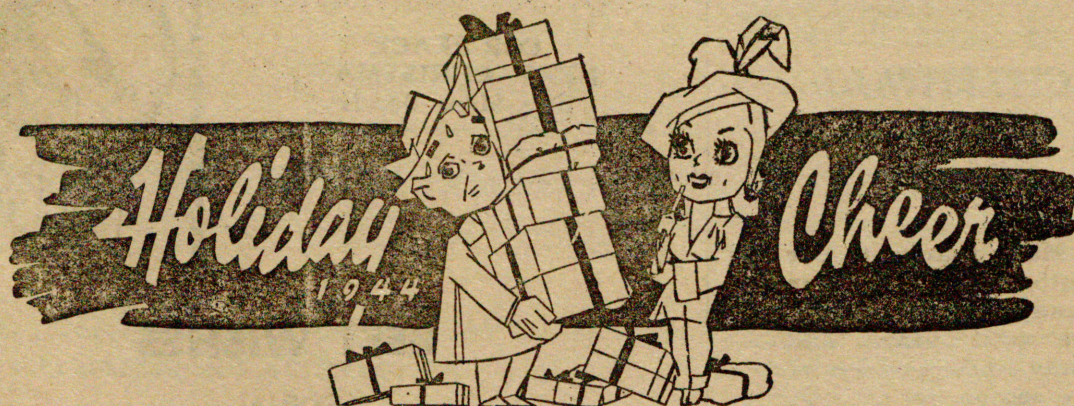
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Your good will has been a priceless asset to us during 1944 and other years. We thank you for the confidence you have placed in us and wish you the manifold blessings of a happy Yuletide.

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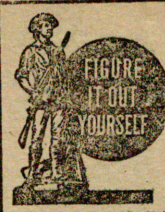
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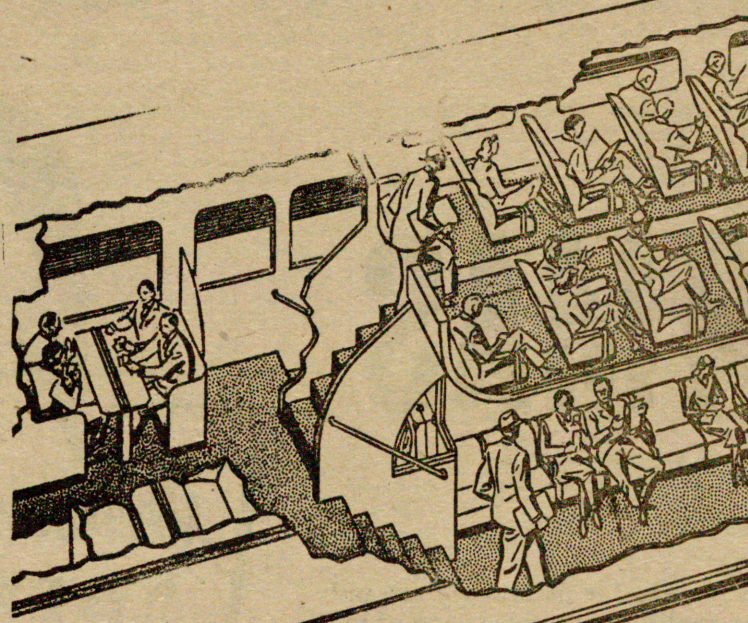


Noel! Noel!

While ageless Christmas carols fill the air this thought comes to mind. We would like to share with you our Yuletide happiness, and to feel that in this year of grace, 1944, Christmas will mean more to you than it has meant for many years past

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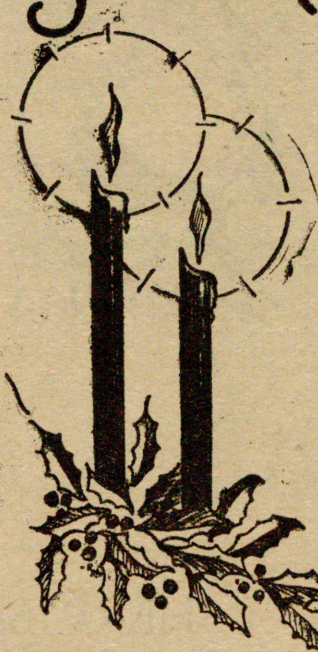
IN THESE LAST SHORT DAYS OF 1944

We have many friends in this area—friends from many years back as well as friends who have become friends during this past year. These friendships are a great source of pride and happiness to us.

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Seasons Greetings



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—Phillips Brooks



Season's Greetings

YES, the holiday Season is a fleeting celebration, yet it is a time for letting others know our true feelings toward them. We have enjoyed good patronage thruout the past months and wish to thank you with the wish that your entire year will reflect the joy and pleasures of the Yuletide.

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Most People Like Holidays

In youth they seem a long way apart. As we grow older they seem close together. Each year, as we grow older, does mean Experience.

Experience in so many ways life—
Experience of Success and Failure—
Experience of Happiness and Sorrow—
Experience of Trials and Triumphs—
EXPERIENCE—YES!

While we are growing up, perhaps we sometimes wonder about all this, but when we are older, I think we find that these Ups and Downs, and Downs and Ups, are all really needed for a well-rounded life. A life which we do appreciate a lot at this time of the year; a life given to us and if we wish we can really help to build other lives of those who might need our help and kindness extended to them along the way.

We are very proud and happy—happy because you have shared your Friendship with us; happy because you are helping us enter into another year, and we hope this New Year will bring—TO ALL—the greatest happiness, and a Victory of PEACE, that will, for all time to come, be a strong bulwark against darkness and confusion, jealousy and hatred, misunderstanding, and will open a Gate to Promise and Light, for—EACH AND EVERYONE!

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Mrs. Roy Minger who has been ill in her home for several days is up and about again.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Zellar and children of Seneca spent Saturday here with Mr. and Mrs. John Tarrant and



family.

The condition of Miss Audrey Taylor who has been ill in her home the past several weeks is improving.

The United Service Club will sponsor a dance in the school auditorium this coming Saturday night. A turkey, goose, duck and a chicken will be prize awards. Proceeds will be used by the club to help the morale of the local boys in the armed services. Donations of cakes will be appreciated.

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight!

Christmas in lands of the fir-tree and pine,

Christmas in lands of the palm-tree and vine;

Christmas where snow-peaks stand solemn and white,

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—Phillip Brooks

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CHRISTMAS

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Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Seivert heard recently from their son Robt. that he is in the Aleutians and is employed by the West Construction Co.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Jay was christened Keith Edward at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon in St. Jude Catholic church, with the Rev. Father Reynolds officiating. Sponsors were an aunt Mrs. Laura Laughlin and a cousin, Mr. John Loughlin of Chicago. Following the christening, a dinner was served in the Jay home, and the honored guest received gifts.

Mrs. Robt. Stockley and children Carol Elaine and Harold and Carol Ann Collatz spent Tuesday in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Frick and daughters were dinner guests Sunday of Mrs. Helen Feeley.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spuehler spent Sunday in Chicago.

Mrs. Wm. Woods spent Friday in Mokena with her daughter Mrs. Jas. Murphy and family.

TM 3-c Robt. Woods left last Tuesday for a navy base at San Francisco Cal., where he reported for duty after spending 15 days here with his parents.

A group of children enjoyed a Christmas party and meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Novak Sunday afternoon. Games and guessing contests were enjoyed and prizes were won by Gene and Judy Novak. A gift exchange took place and refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert McClain of St. Elmo, Ill., arrived here Friday evening to spend a few days with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Corwin McClain and family.

Pfc. Bernard Ruettiger arrived home Saturday night from Camp Gruber, Okla. to spend a furlough with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Ruettiger and family. He will report back to Camp Gruber on Jan. 1 and expects to be sent overseas soon after. Pfc. Ruettiger returned to the states a few months ago after having spent two years in the Aleutian Islands.

Coxswain Boatsmate 2-c Walter Sayers arrived home Thursday, night to spend a 30 day leave with his mother Mrs. Josephine Sayers and family. Seaman Sayers has spent the past 14 months in England and France and participated in the D-day invasion. He enlisted in the Navy two years ago and will report back for duty at Long Island January 16.

Mrs. Earl Ullrich f Monee, the former Ruth Bethel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bethel underwent a major operation Dec. 13 in Silver Cross hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Sayers and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gougar and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hunt and family all attended the annual Ingalls-Shepard Co. of Harvey Christmas party at the Civic Center in Hammond, Ind., Sunday.

The RNA met Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Josephine Sayers. This was the annual Christmas party with a potluck dinner served at noon. The usual gift exchange took place. At the business meeting the annual election of officers was held and resulted as follows: Oracle Mrs. Edith Sayers, Vice oracle Mrs. Josephine Sayers, Past Oracle, Mrs. Annie Kennedy; Chancellor, Mrs. Mary Wilson Recorder, Mrs. Merna Seivert; Receiver, Mrs. Laura Carlson, Marshall, Myrtle Alexander; Inner Sentinel, Lena Lorenz, Outer Sentinel, Mary Marshall, Managers, Dorothy White and Lois Werner; Flag bearer, Lois Werner. Bunco was played at two tables following the meeting and prizes went to Mrs. Myrtle Alexander, Mrs. Merna Seivert and Mrs. Edith Sayers.

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During this sacred season, mellowed by the thought of those who cannot be with us, we have abundant reason for gratitude. We have come a long way since the dark Christmas of 1944. The Star in the East shines brighter now.

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of smiles makes
ample amends for
lack of brightness
overhead, we again
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HOMER

The annual Christmas party and regular meeting of the Wayside Workers Circle of Kings Daughters was held Thursday in the home of Mrs. Fred Trask with Mrs. Adella Paddock, Mrs. Elizabeth Rasmussen and Mrs. Irene Milne assisting. A Christmas program was presented and a gift exchange enjoyed. A birthday cake was presented from the group to Mrs. Helen Rowley who was celebrating her 80th birthday. A collection, amounting to \$4 was taken and donated to the USO in Lockport. At noon a delicious dinner was served to 22 members and guests from tables decorated in red and green. The January meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Orville Rasmussen.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Rowley entertained Friday night in honor of the former's mother, Mrs. Helen Rowley, who was celebrating her birthday. A social time was enjoyed and refreshments were served by the hostess and her daughter, Mrs. Harold Finley of Angola, Ind. Mrs. Rowley was the recipient of many lovely gifts.

Pupils of the Wells Corner school and pupils of the Sunday school will join in the Christmas program which will be given Christmas eve in the Homer Congregational church.

Mr. and Mrs. Joyce Purdy are the parents of a son born Dec. 13 in Silver Cross hospital in Joliet.

The Honor Roll, dedicated to the Men and Women of Lockport and Homer townships serving in the Armed forces in the global war, and which was erected recently on the grounds of the Public library in Lockport, was dedicated last Sunday afternoon in the auditorium of the high school. The roll, bearing the names of about 1500 local men and women was planned and erected under the sponsorship of the Lockport Lions Club, through donations from that organization and from other citizens of the community.

On the Honor Roll, in gold letters, are the names of those having made the supreme sacrifice.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bokoski entertained at dinner recently in honor of their son, Alvin, who was

confirmed in St. Raymond's church in Joliet. George Mathers was a sponsor. Guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bokoski and son Lawrence and grand daughter Anna Mae Bump. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kolar and daughter Marion; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mathers and son George. The honored guest received many presents.

The Boys Husky Hustlers 4-H Club held a meeting Tuesday night in the home of Chas. Jungles with 9 members and the leader, Ralph Reiter Sr., being present. Plans were made for the coming year. Election of officers resulted as follows: Donald White, president; Ralph Reiter, Jr., vice Pres.; Rose Bankey, Sec.; Chas. Jungles, Recreation Ch.; Adella Reiter, Reporter. Refreshments were served by the host's mother.

The Women's Club met Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Faye Busch with Mesdames Eleanor Wies, Louise Reiter and Katherine Wies co-hostesses. Three guests, Mrs. LaVerne Kasper, Mrs. Marjorie Babcock and Miss Eleanor Kopelman were present. After the dinner the following program was presented: Mrs. Jessie Trask spoke on the song, "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" and read several poems. Darlene De Pra gave a reading, "Poor Santa Claus" and Mrs. Mamie Paddock told the story of the First Christmas Tree. A special collection of \$5 was taken and it was voted to donate it to the Memorial plaque at Lockport. A gift exchange was enjoyed by all.

Howard F. West son of Fred H. West has been promoted to Captain, according to information released by the 7th A.A.F. heavy bomber base in the Marianas. Cat. West is an engineering officer with a Liberator Bomber Squadron.

Wednesday afternoon, Wray White, son of Mr. and Mrs. John West was struck by a car and suffered a long laceration on his forehead, also two black eyes.

Mrs. Anna Welter who underwent an operation in Boston, Mass., last Monday, is reported doing nicely.

Mrs. Pomeroy was detained from school at the Wells Corner school a part of last week due to the serious illness of her father-in-law.

The Missionary Society will meet in the home of Mrs. Esther Mae Vanderbilt, Tuesday Dec. 28. Her mother Mrs. Anna Whorrell and Mrs. Alice White will assist. A 25c gift exchange will be held. Election of officers will be held.

The Boys 4-H Club will meet Monday night Jan. 8 in the home of Donald White.

Mrs. Fred Kopelman attended a Recognition banquet for leaders, sponsored by the Will County group of the Illinois Chain Store Council, Inc., at the Universalist church in Joliet Thursday night.

The Neighbors Club helped Mr. B. F. Ingersoll celebrate his 76th birthday Saturday night. Eleven guests were present to enjoy a social evening and a delicious lunch.



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Alpine

Mrs. Bernard Rickerman entertained in her home Sunday afternoon in honor of her daughter Donna's seventh birthday. Guests were Donna's schoolmates; Esther White, Priscilla White, Dorothy Reiter, Grace Hansa, Jennie Roth, Geraldine Rickerman, Billy Reiter, and Joe White. Games were played and refreshments served in Xmas style by Mrs. Rickerman.

Peter Gortmaker has returned to his home in Parker, So. Dakota after spending an enjoyable two weeks vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Sayers.

Henry Andreson visited Monday afternoon with the Lemcke family. Mrs. Bernard Rickerman's brother Pvt. Clarence Paulsen, who was reported missing on August 7th, has now sent word that he is in a German prison camp and he writes he is

well. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lemcke have just received a card from mPfc Chas. Bayer who is stationed in Newfoundland. It must be plenty cold there Charley, if even the "Newfie" cows wear ear muffs.

Guests in the Gilbert Sayers home Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Bayer and sons George, Gerald and James and Miss Florence Hollstein of Frankfort also Miss Helen Iverhouse, Alfred Iverhouse and George Gortmaker AMM 2c of Chicago.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Janusz of Chicago were entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie James.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Heinze and sons Harold and Ronald of DesPlains visited Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Heinze's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Emerson. Other guests were Miss Evelyn Emerson and Harry Emerson of Harvey.

The Alpine school PTA is sponsoring a Xmas party Friday evening December 22 in the school house. A Christmas play will be presented and Santa Claus will be there with gifts for all. Refreshments will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lemcke and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lemcke and daughter visited Sunday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lemcke in Maywood. They helped Howard Jr. celebrate his third birthday.

The 4H club's annual Achievement meeting was held Tuesday evening at the Maue school house. Parents and friends of the members were guests. Mr. Glover showed movies of 4H members and projects completed in various communities. Lunch was served.

Thursday evening the following attended the Pure Milk Local annual meeting held at the St. John church in Mokena: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bernard and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Erickson, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Erickson and son, The Stellwagon family, Mr. and Mrs. O. Maue and Mr. and Mrs. R. Knerem.

MOKENA

Last Wednesday evening the Girl Scout Patrol of Troop 2 gave a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Albert Capel for Troop 1. The entertainment of the evening were games chosen and explained by each girl of Troop 2. The table was set in keeping with Christmas and place cards were made of red nutcrackers with green Christmas trees pasted on and the girl's name appeared on the tree. Miss Jean Shevlin is leader of Troop 2 and Mrs. R. B. Westlund is leader of Troop 1. Every one had a fine time.

Mrs. Florence Demkov has returned from a two weeks stay in Chicago where she went to the Ill. Research hospital for a checkup.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rinke entertained at a family dinner last Sunday honoring the latter's cousin, Alfred Cox of Fort Morgan, Colo.

Their son Seaman George was also home for a few hours from his station at Madison, Wis.

Mrs. Harley Gillett and sons will leave tomorrow for their new home at Texas. Mrs. Gillette has been the assistant in the Mokena post office. Her place will be taken by Mrs. Roy Erdman.

Mrs. Fred Robinson left Wednesday morning over the Dixon Flyer to spend the holidays with her son Norvall and wife who are stationed in Florida.

Mrs. Virginia Bruggeman and sons and Mrs. Thos. Powers left Tuesday morning by auto for Florida with their respective husbands who where they will make their home are both stationed there.

A daughter was born in Silver Cross hospital Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stanger.

Pvt. Harry Cooper is home until after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Willy Muehler have moved into their new home corner Front Street and Wolf road.

Guests in the Henry Shevlin home Christmas will be Mrs. Lena Hacker Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hacker, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hacker and daughter Arlene of Joliet, and Mrs. Marie Shevlin and daughter Florence of Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Weese of Joliet will spend Christmas with their daughter Mrs. Phillip Hacker and daughter.

The Brownies held their Christmas party Tuesday after school. Everyone enjoyed sitting around the Christmas tree and singing all the favorite carols. This was followed by a gift exchange. Refreshments in keeping with the holiday season were served by the hostesses Joyce Werner and Betty Beagley.

Final plans were made to go caroling Thursday afternoon to shut-ins and thus bring a little cheer to others.

MOKENA BOWLING NEWS

Braun's Recreation	28 17 31107
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The Bankers extended their winning streak to seven straight games as they swept three games from the Mokena Oilers. They are now one game from the top and the pace they are rolling gives them a good chance to overtake the Smokers.

Watch out for the Paperhangers. They are moving up as they downed the V-Eighters for three games and vacated the cellar position. Again it was Andy Bueschel that led the way with a 611 series for the Wallpaper team.

The Smokers hung to first place by the narrow margin of one game as they took two games from the Robins. Ed Walsh and Harold Miller were the big guns in the Smokers attack.



With Victory in sight, we wish for you and ourselves a
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IN THE wake of the Army-Navy, Georgia - Georgia Tech, Notre Dame-Great Lakes games, the last stretch of a waning football season now belongs entirely to the pros and the bowls.

The top bowl game, as it should be, is the Rose Bowl affair between Southern California and Tennessee—both tied but unbeaten—with prospects of a 93,000 or more crowd.

The second ranking game will be the Sugar Bowl test at New Orleans between Alabama and Duke, good for some 70,000 spectators who will also see one of the best games of the year. Both Alabama and Duke finished their campaigns as top-flight teams.

The Cotton Bowl at Dallas gets a championship contender in Oklahoma A. and M. with one of the star backs of the year in triple-threat Bob Fenimore. T. C. U. has been spotty, but good on occasions.

A year ago Georgia Tech and Tulsa in the Sugar Bowl provided the best game of the big Bowl day at New Orleans. The brilliant play of Prokop alone was something worth looking at. This time Tech and Tulsa, the double-T's, move over to the Orange Bowl at Miami. Georgia Tech's two defeats by Duke and Notre Dame, especially those 21 points Notre Dame rang up after what happened in the Army and Navy disasters, was no great boom for this contest although Tulsa again has known a fine year.

In one important direction, at least, the bowl games figure to be a decided success. This is on the gate receipts side. From Southern California's graduate manager Arnold Eddy comes word that the Rose Bowl was sold out on December 6. All the 93,000 seats had been purchased nearly a month ahead of the New Year's day date. Similar gleeful reports are arriving from managers of the other big bowl games.

After all these Bowl games, outside of entertainment, mean nothing today. Not when you look at Army, Navy and Ohio State, the three college tops who have no Bowl assignments. Bowl games today are merely excuses for a New Year's holiday party. They will all be interesting contests, all worth looking at, but there is nothing else involved. Army, Navy and Ohio State among the colleges have taken care of this side of the argument.

New Pro Leagues

The scrambling of the newly organized professional leagues is reaching the knock-down and drag-out stage. The battling is going on in conferences and deals, and in bidding for flashy players.

At least three new invaders, headed or directed by Chick Meehan, Arch Ward, Jimmy Crowley and Red Grange, are already under way in the general knowledge that only one can come safely through.

In the process of locating a survivor from the new groups, a number of stockholders and investors must be badly stung. Even as it is today, only about four teams in the National Football league are out of the red. But whatever happens to the newcomers it will make an interesting story as they hustle for various playing stands that can accommodate the populace.

It is impossible at this point to pick out the winning league. All admit they have all the financial backing needed, even into the million-dollar class. This means a far rougher scrimmage than baseball ever knew, with the arrival of the American league more than 40 years ago or the charge of the Federal league many years later.

I've talked with Messrs. Meehan, Ward, Crowley, Gene Tunney and several others interested in the various new ventures and they all exude confidence from every pore. Possession of the Yankee stadium in New York, and the Baltimore stadium will be important factors in those two hot football cities. Another leading point is the way various new cities, such as Buffalo, Miami, Houston, Dallas and some others, will respond to the pro diet.

Each new league leader is confident that he has picked the right spots. This is something the investors will have to learn later, either for their pleasure or their pain. And a good part of it will have to be pain, since there is no possible chance that four leagues can make good on the financial side.

Yale's Fine Season

Howie Odell, Yale's football coach, hands Bob Kipputh, Yale's swimming coach, a large package of credit for the Blue's unbeaten year. "Kipputh is something more than a magical swimming coach," Odell says. "He is also one of the best trainers and conditioners I ever saw, no matter what game you play. Bob spent six weeks with our football squad, using various exercises he has devised to build up every part of the anatomy."



Plant Trees in Fall Or Early Winter

Best Results Secured From Local Grown Ones

Trees, fruit or shade as well as for fuel and lumber, can be set out any time during the fall or early winter, so long as the ground is not frozen more than two or three inches. If the ground is frozen at planting time, no frozen soil should be used in firming the earth about the roots.

Fall planting is recommended in order that the young trees will have time to become established and the roots will make some growth in the fall and early spring before there



Fall and early winter planting of trees profitable.

is great demand for water by the expanding leaves.

As a general practice, Prof. R. L. McMunn of Illinois recommends, the trees should be secured from nurseries in the same latitude and located near by. Those obtained from almost any part of the country will prove as winter hardy as elsewhere. However, when they are obtained near by, they will be fresh and have a better chance to survive.

Dig the hole large enough to receive the root system without crowding. The tree should stand two or three inches deeper than it stood in the nursery. Cut off the broken roots back of the break and remove very small roots—those smaller than the lead of a pencil. The tree when planted should lean about 30 degrees toward the prevailing wind. The trees should be mounded around the trunk to shed water. Place the top earth near the roots and work it around the roots by lifting the tree several times. Use the subsoil to finish filling the hole.

Agriculture Pioneers

Louis Pasteur

The father of pasteurization, Louis Pasteur, first came to the rescue of the farmers of France when he originated a method of inoculation of sheep and cattle against the dreaded anthrax which was ruining agriculture. In one district of Russia, 56,000 head of cattle died from anthrax in three years. The Pasteur method eliminated this high death rate.

He is better known by his discovery of pasteurization, which was first used with beer. The main purpose of pasteurization is to kill germs. It is the process of heating milk or cream for a sufficient period of time to kill the microorganisms. Undulant fever was reduced by 50 per cent, typhoid fever by 45 and deaths among children were reduced to an extent that was almost unbelievable the first year that Ontario had compulsory pasteurization of milk.

To Pasteur also belongs the credit for the discovery of transmission of rabies, and for an inoculation that has resulted in the saving of thousands upon thousands of lives.

Fertilizer Labels

Commercial fertilizer should be appraised by the percentage or grade figures given on each package and not by a brand or firm name, the University of Illinois college of agriculture recommends.

Animal manure, crop residues and legume green manures should be used to their fullest advantage. Such materials, when used properly, are efficient fertilizers. These byproducts of the farm, used in conjunction with lime and phosphate are ideal.

Tractor vs. Horse

Far from being crowded off farms, horses and mules still represent about 55 per cent of the total drawbar power, according to U. S. department of agriculture estimates. The total pull is believed to be about evenly divided, however, since the 45 per cent of tractor power works somewhat longer hours in the year. Fewer work animals are on farms now than has been the case for more than half a century 20,000,000 less than in 1910.

Befana's Legend Lives On in Italy

Befana was sweeping her threshold when the Wise Men passed on their way to Bethlehem—and Befana finished her sweeping before she thought about going to Bethlehem. Finally she blew out her candle, latched her door and, clutching her basket of treasures, she set out to follow the Wise Men.

A straw doll and a large seed—these were Befana's treasures. The large seed had been her own baby's ball and, long ago, chubby hands had fondled the straw doll whose garment she had made from a piece of her wedding dress. Had not the shepherd told her the Little King was a poor child? As she hurried onward, Befana visualized the Little King fondling her meager treasures.

Alas! night passed and morning came; then night again, and there was no one from whom she might ask the way. When the Star disappeared Befana knew that, having hesitated, she would search forever without finding the Christ Child.

In Italy, La Befana goes from house to house bearing gifts to children on Epiphany eve. Her counterpart, Russian Babouska, knocks on each door with her staff and, entering, holds a candle to the faces of sleeping children. She slips a toy beneath their pillows and hurries on, always hoping she is bearing gifts to the Babe of Bethlehem whom she has never found.

Sweepers of Armageddon! let there be toys this Christmas—lest the magic hour passes, lest both sweepers and broken dreams of childhood join the wanderings of Befana.

Army Exchange Is Biggest Santa Claus

The biggest Santa Claus of them all, the army exchange service, has started its "do your Christmas shopping early" campaign—and by early it means right now.

For overseas Joes, who can't join the Night-Before-Christmas department store crowds, the exchange service has issued its "Christmas gift suggestions" catalogue.

The catalogue's No. 1 item is war bonds, for a home, for family, for education—but for those who want to contribute toward a gift bedecked



GIs play Santa.

tree or a packed stocking, the catalogue has suggestions for every member of the family.

For mother, sister or the "best gal" the catalogue lists perfumes, jewelry, compacts and other women's niceties—all of them the very best.

The APO soldier can buy a tie, shaving kit, key chain and other items for dad and Bud. Books, playing cards, luggage, cigarette cases and other welcome gifts are listed in the catalogue for relatives and friends.

Naturally there is a children's section with dolls and other toys. Consideration is also given to the old holiday gift reliable, candy.

The army exchange service's claim to being the biggest Santa Claus is borne out by the 360,000 orders handled last Christmas, according to the Army Times.

But even this large total will be small fry compared to the 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 orders expected this year.

Operating on a nonprofit basis, the army exchange gift service isn't just a holiday organization. It provides gifts for every occasion—birthdays, Mother's day, Easter and any other time a soldier feels like sending a gift to someone.

TOO GENEROUS

A 40-year-old woman stood on a New York subway platform during the afternoon rush period peeling bills off a thick roll and tossing them to a quickly gathered crowd with the cheery cry: "A Merry Christmas. Have lots of luck."

As people scrambled madly for the money, policemen stopped the fun with the ruling that the woman could do what she wanted to with her money but that her manner of distribution constituted disorderly conduct.

Outdoor Decorations

Before the era of electric lights, men were obliged to confine the expression of their Christmas spirit indoors. Symbolizing this spirit were the beaded indoor tree, sprigs of holly, gaily wrapped gifts, and the common greeting card.

Came the advent of the colorful multiple burning Christmas-tree lamps like glowing jewels on a string. Came "projector" lamps designed for outdoor flood and spotlighting. The custom of expressing the Yule spirit outside has grown.

The Three Wise Men

Nothing is known for certain concerning the identity of the "wise men." All that we learn from the gospel is that "wise men" appeared bringing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. We do not know who they were or what were their names or how many there were. The common supposition is there were three of them. That idea arises from the fact that there were three gifts. Some of the early Christian writers thought there were 12. Later Christian writers still name them, giving their names as Melchior, Caspar and Balthasar. Persia would probably be the place from which they came, because they were interested in the stars and the Persians were great star gazers. Another tradition gives them the rank of kings, but the gospel tells nothing save that "wise men" came.

The Benediction

At first we thought no Christmas tree this year:

Our six-foot sons a year ago had dwarfed That festive show of holiday decors And reached, with ease, the highest shining star.

They slept quite late, as I remember, then, At Christmas morning breakfast, they approved, With friendly condescension. After that I don't believe they saw it any more.

So let's depend, we said, on wreaths and bells

To brighten up the house; we'll take our ease

And be content; no tinsel-littered floor, No twisted strings of lights to pack away.

All very fine! But who would tell that when

The warm, nostalgic breath of balsam struck

Our sense in that crowded little shop 'Twould conjure up such vivid memories?

For, with that scent, come into swift review

The Christmases of many happy years. The skirts and hose, the gloves and ties gave place

To skates and hockey sticks, and these, in turn,

To books, electric trains and still more trains,

Then toys which bucked and rolled when wound with keys;

Back through the days of carts and balls and drums

To dwell on one—the first our baby knew.

How young we were! How many bright ideals

Were yet untarnished by the blight of time;

Just as those gayly-colored, tinsel things

Which graced the tree; and like our youthful dreams

Some broke to bits, some dimmed with passing years,

And some were changed for new ones later on.

Perhaps just one more tree—we still have lights

And dreams enough to make a brave display.

So there it is! Not many candy cones

Are hanging from its boughs, and those few gifts

Don't make a noise, or roll across the floor,

But, each to each, a love more strong, mature,

Is wrapped in ev'ry box, and now I know

The tree has done its part to make the day;

That perfumed incense, born in northern wood,

Has breathed a benediction on us all.

H. S. Downe.

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

Brazilian Christmas Midsummer Festival

The Christmas season in Brazil begins on Christmas eve and climaxes with the Feast of Epiphany. Since it really is June in January south of the equator, Christmas is a midsummer festival endowed with fireworks, boating excursions, and open air "festas."

The "old" Brazilian Christmas traditions are those imported from Portugal, the mother country. Impressive processions are colorful and intrinsic parts of the church festival. Midnight mass on Christmas eve is preceded by gala late suppers and dancing "festas." The mass itself is called Missa de Gallo, presumably because it is solemnized at the hour of the cocks' crowing, and is celebrated with greater or lesser pomp throughout the land. A great many Brazilians wander about on Holy Night attending different churches and listening to the church bells proclaim the birth of the Saviour.

Christmas day is observed as a day of spiritual union by the Christian churches and is so designated in the official list of Brazilian national holidays.

The geographic vastness of Brazil implies the actuality of many local and charming customs, ceremonies, folk dances and "festas" and the new traditions, while not displacing these established customs, sociably jogs right along with them.

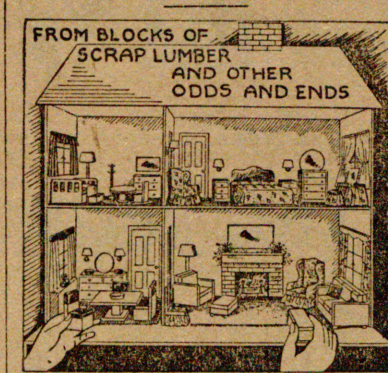
Christmas Trees for Birds

Preparations for Christmas are almost as much fun as the Great Day itself.

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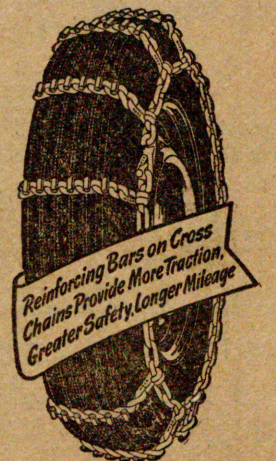
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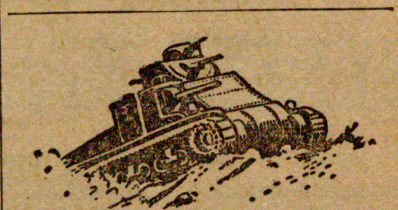
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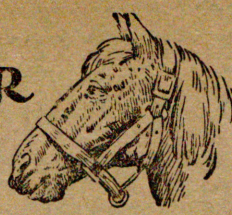
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THE STORY THUS FAR: Amos Croy settled on a farm in Missouri, where he married and a son, Homer, was born. Sunday meant church, company for dinner and steer weight guessing. Dehorning of the calves, curing of hams, weaning of calves and sausage making were jobs that Homer helped with. He always looked forward to helping Newt, a neighbor, in breaking the mules. Quitting-day was a day for the ladies. It lasted all day and they would take turns at eating. Homer began to try his literary talents, he entered and won a contest by submitting a letter about his most unusual dream. He won a \$1 prize. His father did not think as much of this as he did the item about the calf.

CHAPTER X

Pa didn't think much of anybody who would drive a fresh-broke mule to a spring-wagon with women in it.

That was the difference between Pa and Newt. Pa was always safe and conservative, but Newt wasn't. Newt'd do anything, as Pa put it. But Newt never got hurt and nobody was ever killed.

In a few minutes our yard would be filled with laughing and talking people, and Kaiser would be barking his head off, just as excited as I was to have company.

The women would go into the house to change into their swimming clothes, while the men sat on the front porch and on the benches and talked. When the womenfolk were ready, we would all start down through our orchard to the horse pond which was two or three times as wide as a house and eight feet deep. It was supplied by a spring and by water pumped from the windmill and was the only one in the neighborhood. People said we were lucky to have a pond.

When the women would start in they had to inch, because their Mother Hubbards would fill with air and go straight over their heads if they didn't watch out. If one of the Mother Hubbards went a little too high, the men would screech with delight. It was manners, when all the women were in, for the men to go back to the house and let the women swim alone.

After a while we would hear the women coming through the orchard. It was all right to walk down to the pond with the women, but it wouldn't do to see the women until they had changed into dry clothes. After the women were in the house, Pa would say, "I guess we'd better go down and see if they splashed all the water out," and down through the orchard we'd go.

The men would peel off their clothes. Newt would give a run and go in with a terrific plop! but Pa would walk slowly in, because he wasn't wild like Newt. Now and then, when there wasn't any splashing, we could hear a night bird go by with a swish of its wings, or a calf would bawl, or the bull would give a short little run toward a cow.

At last the swim would be over and we'd start back through the orchard to the house. The women would be sitting on the porch, and everybody would begin to talk at once. Pa'd say, "Homer!" and I'd go down into the cave and begin bringing up the melons. Ma and Phebe would light the lamps and set them on the porch and Pa would hang our lantern in the cherry tree. I could hardly wait.

He would rest the point of his knife on the melon and say, "Is it going to be ripe, or not?" It was always ripe, because Pa knew melons.

As the slices were finished they'd go into the wash boiler. More work for me tomorrow.

When everybody had had all they could eat, they would sit around and talk, me still able to take a few more nibbles. At last it would be time to go. Pa would still be worrying about Newt's mule. "Don't you think, Newt, it's kind of risky to drive him at night loaded with women?"

"Mules ain't as much inclined to run at night as they are in the day, Amos."

At the very bottom was the manure shovel which hung on a peg in the stable and was dull and dirty and fowl and never cleaned from one year's end to another—a pariah. Sometimes a mule would step on it, but that didn't matter. Sometimes he would break off the handgrip. That was all right, too; we'd go ahead using the shovel anyway. Sometimes the handle would become loose and we'd nail in any sort of stick. No one had any respect for a manure shovel; in fact, I'm sure it didn't have any respect for itself. When a farmer had a sale, he wouldn't even put it up; it'd be tossed in with a lot of other odds and ends; sometimes the man who had bought it wouldn't even take the thing home.

A step above this—but only a step—was the long-handled general utility shovel. It was never cleaned and never sharpened and was left standing any old where. Sometimes it would be left in the granary, sometimes it would even get into the smokehouse. Sometimes it would be left lying on the ground and a wagon wheel would cross it. But it didn't matter. It was just "the shovel." And that was the way it was always referred to, as if there had to be one on a farm and we had

just as well accept the fact. That would be tossed in at a sale, too.

Next—going up the social scale—was the scoop shovel, a very bright and shining implement indeed. This was used to scoop the fresh-shucked corn into the crib; when all the corn was in and the season's crop was over, the scoop shovel was put in the crib and used to get the corn into the feeding baskets. Sometimes it would bang into a nailhead on the floor and get bunged up; then it would be taken to the grindstone and smoothed till it was sharp and even again. Oh, it was an aristocrat! When a public sale came along, the auctioneer would hold it up so that everybody could see how bright and shining and sharp it was. But there was a sad and realistic touch. If it was kept long enough and used enough, it would fall to pieces and end up as a manure shovel. It made a fellow stop and think.

One day when Pa came home from town and I raced out to get the mail, I saw on the bottom of the wagon a kind of spade I had never seen before. It was, I found later, seventeen inches long and five inches wide; it was dish-like the palm of my hand. There were three spades, all ominously oiled.

I asked him what they were and, when he said they were tiling



Mr. Shannon was the newsman of the neighborhood.

spades, my heart hit the bottom of the wagon. The only tile we had ever put in was a row to drain the cellar, and we had used our everyday spade for that. Why should Pa be getting tiling spades?

It was not long till I found out that a tiling spade has two uses. One, of course, is for laying tile; the other is—well, I was to find out pretty quick.

"Mr. Shannon is coming Monday and we'll get to put these to use." "Get to put these to use!" But Pa was that way. Especially when it had to do with me working. And always with a twinkle in those wonderfully blue eyes of his.

Monday morning Mr. Shannon came walking down the road in his floppy old hat with matches standing up in the band. We always called him "Mr." Shannon, but we called Jim Vert "Jim" and we called Newt Kennedy "Newt," although either Jim or Newt could buy and sell Mr. Shannon. He was the neighborhood general utility man. He farmed only forty acres, so had to "work out." He never stayed overnight, so after a day's work he would go down the road he had come along that morning, walking slower now. Sometimes Pa would urge him to stay overnight, but he always said, "I expect I'd better go. The woman don't like to be alone," and off he would trudge.

He was the only one who worked for cash; the rest "swapped work." If you came into a neighborhood and found one man worked for cash and the rest exchanged work, then you would know he was a small farmer. Mr. Shannon was the newsman of the neighborhood, for he worked first here, then there, and knew all that was going on. When he arrived in the morning and went to the well to pump up a drink, Ma would come to the kitchen door and ask him the news. He'd tell us and throw out the last of the water and the chickens would come running to see if it was something to eat. Then he'd fill up the jug and swing it up on his shoulder and go off to work. At noon Ma would have thought of other questions, and Mr. Shannon would think of news he'd forgot.

So, the tiling spades on our shoulders, we started for the "slough." Our section of Missouri was called the "rolling prairies"; there were the hills where a million buffalo must have stood, and between these hills were what we called the "sloughs," pronounced "slews"—low flat land as rich as you could wish to put your foot on. The sloughs were covered with "slough grass,"

which was long and tough and which would cut your fingers like a sickle blade. We used it for "topping" our stacks. The cattle didn't like it; if they ran out of timothy they'd eat it. But they didn't fancy it.

When the spring rain came, the water would spread out over the slough till it was a quarter of a mile wide; sometimes the cattle would be caught on the other side; sometimes calves would be caught. Sometimes a foaling mare.

Pa had set out a row of stakes and we began to run a ditch through the thick, matted million-year-old roots. The cattle came up and sniffed the black earth and the birds flocked down and feasted. We worked close enough to visit, but it was hard, grueling labor. At noon I would be so weary I would fall asleep on the floor; it seemed to me my eyes would hardly close till Pa would be calling me, and Mr. Shannon would be at the pump. Day after day we worked. At last it was finished, and there it was, like a gash in a human body. Little did I realize what, later, would happen.

Every so often there would be an important event in our lives—our visit to see Wadley Brothers, our harness makers. Pa would go in and say, "Tom, do you suppose you can turn me out a set of rope harness?" which was his humorous way of asking if Tom could make him a good set of harness. Tom would say, "Have you got the money to pay for 'em, Amos?" which was his humorous way of pretending that he wouldn't even trust Pa for a set of rope harness.

He sat on a stool without any back, but also he had a rocking chair and now and then he would move over and rock. He smoked a pipe as he worked; when he finished a bowlful, or got tired of smoking, he would knock the pipe and hang the pipe on a rack he had made. The store had a delightful leathery smell. . . . is there anything in the world like such a pleasant, stimulating odor as fresh-cut leather? On the floor around him were the cuttings from his work, like hair around a barber chair. When he had a great many of these he would sweep them up and mould them into a horse collar. On the walls were the most fascinating pictures in the world, it seemed to me; the famous racers and trotters and pacers of their day—Maude S. Dan Patch. When he spoke of them he spoke tenderly and reverently.

"I would like to go an' see them run sometime," he would say.

Pa would glance at me and wait a moment because horse racing was wicked. "So would I," he would say, almost with a sigh.

There would be a little silence, then Tom would say, "How're the roads out your way, Amos?"

Tom had much to be thankful for. He took immeasurable pride in his work and he and his brother were their own employers. Tom wore a leather apron, like a blacksmith's, except it wasn't burned full of holes. He was an artist in his line, and was proud of his handiwork; farmers would say, "That's a set of Wadley Brothers harness," and there was no higher praise. He had surprisingly few tools, but in some amazing way he got results. On one end of his workbench were sheets of leather from which he could quickly and skillfully cut off the pieces he needed. I delighted to see him take his knife with its sharp curved blade and draw it through a piece of leather and get exactly the kind of piece he wanted. He loved his work and took great pride in doing it well and he loved to have the farmers come in and discuss with him the kind of harness they wanted. "What about the britching, Amos? What kind of britching you got in mind?"

"I want good heavy britching, Tom. I don't need it so much in the fields, but when I get out on the hard roads with a load of corn, then I need heavy britching."

"I'm getting more and more calls for heavy britching," Tom would say, and then they would discuss the details as carefully as a tailor and a client making decisions on a suit.

"You want any money down, Tom?"

"Not from you, Amos! You come in in about a week and have a first look at the harness."

Pa would go in from time to time, watching the progress of his set of harness. "What about white gutta-percha rings, Amos? I'm gettin' lots of calls for gutta-percha rings."

"They look all right while the harness is new, but they crack in the sun. Then they peel and show the iron. Give me plain iron rings, Tom. After all, you can't beat iron."

At last would come the day when the harness was done. There it would be on a great frame, black and shining from the oiling Tom had given it, and Pa and Tom would stand side by side, admiring it.

"Do you want a tassel for the throatlatch, Amos?"

"I don't believe I do, Tom. There ain't anything a mule colt likes to eat better'n a tassel."

"I put on a suple hame-strap, Amos."

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3. What is a lee shore aboard ship?
4. What American woman fought for the emancipation of woman's clothing and the wearing of trousers?
5. Can you name one prominent American statesman who violently opposed the ratification of the Constitution?
6. What are the only two countries in South America that do not touch Brazil?
7. What is the length of Lake Michigan?
8. "Maryland, My Maryland!" was written by James Randall in the hope of making his state of Maryland take what stand in the Civil war?

The Answers

1. Seven.
2. The matador.
3. The shore upon which the wind is blowing.
4. Amalia Jenks Bloomer.
5. Patrick Henry.
6. Ecuador and Chile.
7. About 335 miles.
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1944

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